



GENEVA EXCELSIOR LIONS CLUB



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February 5th meeting

The meeting was called to order by President May Wong. Pledge to the flag was led by May and Bill Graziano gave the invocation. A total of 13 club members plus 3 ladies were in attendance. David Demartini conducted introductions. Making campaign visits were 1st Vice-District Governor Jack Van Etten from the Burlingame L.C., 2nd Vice-District Governor Macy Mak Chan from the Chinatown L.C. and Michael Chan from the San Mateo L.C. Jack urged members to attend the district convention to be held at the Red Lion Inn in Sacramento May 16th to 18th. Ward Donnelly said he would be attending.

A letter of gratitude was received from Teen Challenge.

May reminded members the Student Speakers contest will take place at the next February 19th meeting.

Committee Reports

Viela duPont reported the Charity Raffle earned a net profit of \$4,750.

Football Pool Chairman Lyle Workman gave a season report including the fact the Ward Donnellys were the biggest cash winners. The pool earned a net profit of \$1,922. Many thanks to Lyle for undertaking this time-consuming project every year.

Bob Lawhon asked members to assist at the February 21st Flag Day at Mission Educational Center from 10 A.M. to noon. The Hispanic Club has ordered the flags and will be represented there..

Charlie Bottarini conducted the Convention Raffle. Al Gentile came up with only a \$2-winning golf ball. In a secondary drawing, Ward Donnelly won chocolate brought from Preston's by Jack Van Etten. Absent Galdo Pavini missed out on \$12 in the Attendance Drawing.

Board Meeting

Treasurer Handford Clews read his report and informed the club seven members had not yet paid their current dues.

May Wong announced the annual nomination of officers will take place prior to the upcoming February 19th meeting. All past-presidents act as the nominating committee and are asked to be at the J.A.S.C. at 5:30. Viela duPont suggested forming a new club fund-raising committee.

February 19th meeting

The meeting was called to order by President May Wong. Al Gentile led in the pledge to the flag, and Emily Powell gave the invocation. Emily also brought in a bag of used eyeglasses from Balboa High School and sent the club a letter of gratitude from the Balboa Alumni Assn. The club also received a "thank you" letter from the S.F. Fire Dept. David Demartini conducted introductions. A total of 13 Lions and 3 ladies were in attendance.

President May reminded members nomination of officers will take place prior to the upcoming March 5th meeting. All past presidents act as a nominating committee and are asked to be at the I.A.S.C. at 5:30 P.M.

Bob Lawhon reminded members Flag Day at Mission Educational Center would be taking place on Friday, Feb. 21st. 122 students will be presented with flags.

Absent Bill Welch missed out on \$14 in the Attendance Drawing.

Student Speaker Contest

The meeting, dedicated to Charles Stuhr, was turned over to Student Speaker Contest Chairman Paul Corvi, who conducted the annual competition. This year's topic is "Community Senice: What Does It Mean and Why Does It Matter?" The five speakers were Eduardo Valencia, a senior from St. Ignatius; Julianna Morales, a sophomore from Mercy S.F.; Carmen Luk, senior and Ella Zahn, junior from Washington; and Jessica Gao, a junior from Lowell. Eduardo Valencia was the winner. Accompanying students were Washington coach John Propster, Mercy coach Nicole Wong and S.I. coach Sandeep Bhuta. The repeat judges were John Paul, Enrico Micheli and Frank Gentile. Zone 1 Chairperson Helen Marte announced the next level zone contest was going to be held March 6th, 6 P.M. at the Koret Auditorium of the S.F. Main Library.

February 21st Flag Day

Bob Lawhon, Aaron Straus, and four members of the Hispanic Lions Club met with 6 classes and distributed 135 flags to the students from kindergarten to the 5th grades. Each class told them about the flags and what the colors and stars stood for. All knew that California was the 36th star. This is the 41st year that the Lion Clubs have been participating with the Mission Ed Center. Aaron is putting together an article and history of this activity so if anybody has any photos or history they would be appreciated.



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Past-President Charles Stuhr (1960-61) passed away in Vacaville February 9th at the age of 90. He chaired the Student Speaker Contest for many years and was an active member. Charlie was a Marine Corps veteran and respected lawyer practicing at 5012 Mission St. He enjoyed golf and playing pedro. In fact, he authored a book entitled Pedro (According to Granada Café Rules.) He is survived by his wife of 63 years Marcella, 4 daughters, a son and 10 grandchildren.

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

2/23 Ed Damonte; 3/1 Emily Powell; 3/22 Paul Corvi

COMING EVENTS

3/5 Board meeting, nomination of officers; 3/6 Zone Student Speaker Contest; 3/19 Program meeting; 4/12 S.F. Council Awards Night at Patio Espanol; 5/16 - 5/18 District convention