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Bridge to Lionism

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A message from your PCL President



Fellow Lions;

When I first joined the San Bruno Lions Club, my impression was that they were a great group of (mostly) guys. And, indeed, they are. My club is a bit loud and boisterous, more than a little rambunctious but a great group of guys (and gals, too, Lion Dora and Kathryn).

So I was more than a little surprised when, during one of my first meetings as a baby Lion, the meeting was disrupted by a severe disagreement between club members. I forget what the issue was but one member left the room and didn't return that meeting. Not to air out San Bruno laundry but this has happened on more than one occasion. I have heard good solid members threaten to quit over disagreements over a club action and, less frequently, due to interpersonal problems, a clash of personalities or even a business deal gone wrong.

Being a fairly new Lion at the time, I thought it was our club that had this problem, a San Bruno problem that didn't occur in other clubs. Obviously, I was mistaken because since becoming involved with the District and the Peninsula Council, I have been privy to many disagreements that occur within the District, both at the club and District level. I have no doubt that it happens at the Multiple and International levels, as well.

Basically, I decided to write about this issue because a fellow Lion in the District, someone I look up to and admire a great deal told me that he had considered dropping his membership because of a disagreement in policy and issues within his club as well. This is disturbing to me because this is a fantastic Lion and would have been a great loss to the District as well as to his own club. Thankfully, he decided not to drop and, no surprise, continues to be a very strong contributor to many efforts within the District. What a loss this would have been!

I believe what I am trying to say is that there are going to be times when we have disagreements, when the debate doesn't go your way, when you don't get the appreciation for your efforts that you deserve. Sometimes, you may just get burned out.

Please try to remember why you joined the Lions Club. The camaraderie is great, yes, but the main reason we join, why we work, is to help our communities. Who suffers when a Lion drops for the reasons mentioned above? Not the person who has annoyed us. The community suffers. So take a deep breath. Count to ten. Shrug your shoulders and say "Oh, well.." Try again another day. There are already too few of us and you are too valuable to the community. You are appreciated.

If you need more advice, pick up a copy of my book "How to Get Along with Everyone". I didn't write it by myself. I wrote it with this other sniveling, jerk-face.....

Yours in Lionism
Mario Benavente

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SF Nikkei — William Stipinovich
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SF Premier — Gemma Noromna
SF State University Campus — Judy Thao
SF The Castro — Troy Bruner



October 24, 2011 Dinner Meeting

The third meeting of the 2011-2012 PCL board and presidents was held at Nick's Restaurant in Rockaway Beach. This was the annual combined PCL/SFCCLC meeting to celebrate, Halloween. By that I mean lots of costumes. Things started off on time by PCL President Mario Benevente. He rang in the meeting, and things got rolling from there.

Since this meeting was hosted by the Pacifica Lions Club, PDG Lion Emil Kantola started us off with the pledge, Lion Mike Justo gave the invocation, and Lion Yvonne Kantola lead in the song.

This was a fun meeting with no reports to be given. This is an annual fun event where Lions get to put on their alter ego.

Up-comong meetings

November 28, 2011	Redwood City Sunrise
December	No Meeting
January 23, 2012	Burlingame
February 27, 2012	SSF Golden gate
March 30, 2012	Police and Firefighters Awards
April 23, 2012	Half Moon bay
May 21, 2012	Millbrae
June 25, 2012	San Bruno





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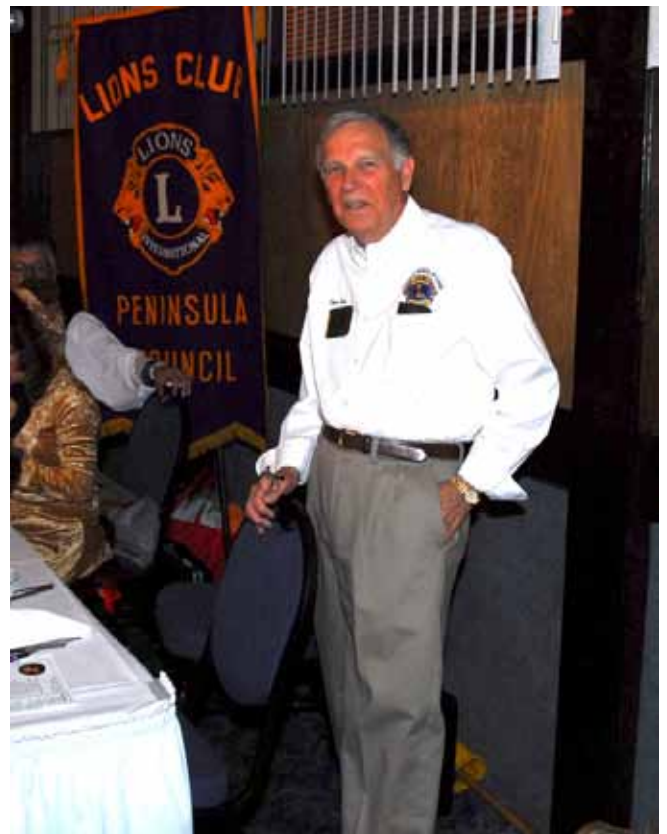


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And the contest winners are...







PCL



District 4-C4

The Peninsula Council of Lions Clubs



*PCL President
Mario Benavente
Service with a Smile
2011-2012*

You are invited:

Please attend our **Monthly Meeting** on
Monday, November 28, 2011

at

Sequoia Club

1695 Broadway, Redwood City, CA 94063

**Club Presidents: Please bring your
"Tooth Fairy" Contest Items**



\$25.00 Per Person

No Host Cocktails 6:15 PM
Dinner 7:15 PM

Menu:

Buffet Dinner with
Beef Entrée

Hosted by the: ***Redwood City Sunrise Lions Club***

RSVP no later than Monday, November 21st to
PCL 2nd VP Lion Sylvia Chu: (415) 699-0408 or
email to sylvia1234@hotmail.com
(Head count needed by the host)

Presidents:
**Please bring
your written
Club Reports**



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“A man who dares to waste one hour of time has not discovered the value of life.”

- Charles Darwin



Lions Code of Ethics

To Show my faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality of service.

To Seek success and to demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self-respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.

To Remember that in building up my business it is not necessary to tear down another's; to be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself.

Whenever a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position or action towards others, to resolve such doubt against myself.

To Hold friendship as an end and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one another, but that true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the spirit in which it is given.

Always to bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my nation, my state, and my community, as to give them my unswerving loyalty in word, act, and deed. To give them freely of my time, labor and means.

To Aid others by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak, and my substance to the needy.

To Be Careful with my criticism and liberal with my praise; to build up and not destroy.

Lions International Purposes

To Organize, charter and supervise service clubs to be known as Lions clubs.

To Coordinate the activities and standardize the administration of Lions clubs.

To Create and foster a spirit of understanding among the peoples of the world.

To Promote the principles of good government and good citizenship.

To Take an active interest in the civic, cultural, social and moral welfare of the community.

To Unite the clubs in the bonds of friendship, good fellowship and mutual understanding.

To Provide a forum for the open discussion of all matters of public interest; provided, however, that partisan politics and sectarian religion shall not be debated by club members.

To Encourage service-minded people to serve their community without personal financial reward, and to encourage efficiency and promote high ethical standards in commerce, industry, professions, public works and private endeavors.