



PHOENIX METRO LIONS MINUTES

August 6, 2008

Home Town Buffet -7PM

President: Lion Henry Kuspert

Secretary: Lion Karen Buckles

Attendance taken: Quorum present

Meeting called to order by Lion President Henry Kuspert.

Minutes and Treasurers reports were handed out. One correction to be made minutes. Dues are paid to LCI not LCIF. A motion was made to approve by Lion Dave Lambert. Seconded by Lion Cinda Gerhauser. Treasurer report was reviewed and a motion was made to file for audit by President Lion Henry.

Correspondence was read. We received two thank you's from Camp Tatiyee. One for an \$800 contribution and the other for the \$1300.00 for two campers. They also sent a pin for our banner and certificate. Lion Jack raised the question regarding when did we donate the \$800.00. Lion Karen P says we have not sent a check for \$800.00. This will be looked into.

2008-2009 Budget report:

Lion Henry read the budget report which will be handed out for approval at the next board meeting. Income for the general account would come from dues, tail twister, raffle, and PIR totaling \$5300. Expenses consist of LCI dues, district dues, bulletin totaling \$5300.00

Philanthropic account: Income consists of Hamburger fry, mints, wishing well, salmon dinner, golf tourney, newspaper, white cane, misc. hopefully totals \$9825.00

Expenses: Camp Tatiyee, Lions Sight and hearing, LFA, Melvin Jones, LCI, glasses, Christmas baskets, homeless Christmas, Flags for 1st graders, Boy Scouts, misc. for \$9825.00. A more detailed report will be available at the next board meeting.

Old Business: Meetings will stay as they are. Allowances will be made for those who have a hard time with expenses and cannot make all the meetings.

Lion Cinda discussed Christmas baskets. We will be doing the same families this year with the exception of the school families. She raised the idea of using grocery store gift cards instead of all the canned foods. Lion Dave Pryce mentioned how Mervyns told us last week that any thing like this could be used by the parents to trade for drugs, or just buy alcohol. We will stick to our usual. Basket delivery date is Saturday, December 20th.

New Business:

Lion Henry announced our Christmas Party will be Tuesday, December 9th.

Lion Cinda brought a fund raiser possibility. She has a good friend, G. Bosley, that has written several very cute cookbooks. Wholesale price is \$4.95 and could be sold for more. The discussion

was given to where and how we could sell them. It was suggested we could have them available for sale at the salmon dinner and possibly the hamburger fry.

Lion Dave found out that Walmart has a foundation form. Lion Henry completed six forms we can take to six different stores. If approved we would qualify for a grant valued up to \$1,000 which would be used to buy books for our Lion Forrest Pathway to reading Project.

Lion Dave Lambert also has a fund raiser idea. He has a 'one of a kind' 22 rifle valued at over \$600.00. Discussion was given to how we could raffle this off. Lion Karen P. suggested doing the raffle in a hospitality suite at a convention. It was questioned if we would be able to raise enough to cover the value. Lion Jack suggested we hold a raffle that would continue until the final convention of the year. This might work and will be discussed further. Discussion was also given to the idea that the cookbooks could be sold through a hospitality suite as well.

Lion Mark has a great PR idea. This would consist of coming up with a coloring book that would relate to our club functions, i.e. Pat at the Homeless Christmas, Our Lion Grinch, and all other activities while telling the story of Lionism. An excellent way to promote Lionism. Lion Karen P suggested we use them the way we did our bears, giving them to the Police and Fire Departments. Lion Dave L. even has an artist in his family! Lions Jerry and Jack volunteered to do the printing.

Lion Henry reported on Adobe Mountain. They were impressed with their banner and would like to like to do visitation with our club.

Lion Dave Pryce reported the Mervyns shopping event didn't happen at PV mall, as kids were bused to the wrong Mervyns at Arrowhead. Lion Dave Lambert said he was at the Glendale and 43rd Mervyns and took two young boys around shopping. He was very impressed with the boys and it was a very rewarding experience.

First Book Fair scheduled for Wednesday, September 10th @ 7:30 for Fowler Elementary School. Volunteers are needed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm