

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF REGULAR CLUB MEETINGS

The Regular Evening meeting of the Scandia Marine Lions Club, of Scandia, MN and Marine on St. Croix, MN. was called to order on **Thursday, January 25, 2007** by the Club President, Lion Marilyn Opp at 6:30 PM at the Scandia Community Center with those members in attendance as shown on the Attendance Record and Guest Register.

Attendance:	
Guests:	4
Members:	54
Percentage	55%

Minutes of the Business Meeting

1. Guests were introduced. Lion Jack Lannon from Forest Lake Lions is here with Lion Bob Brunfelt. Jack is interested in transferring membership to our club. Lion Dick Hammond's wife Jan attended, Lion Edsel Johnson's wife Minion attended.
2. Lion President Marilyn Opp reported a current status on Jenna Lynn. Jenna started experimental radiation today and will continue for about six weeks.
3. The Secretary's Report was approved as distributed in the Club Newsletter.
4. Lion Jim Webb, Jr. gave the Treasurer's Report. We have \$2,273.78 in the Administrative Account; \$8,937.08 in the Contribution Account; \$3,336.88 in the Scholarship Account; and \$6,000.00 in the Taco Daze Account. This results in a total of \$20,547.74 in all Lions Accounts. There is \$2,073.62 in the Ball Park Account. The report was approved as distributed to the tables for review.
5. Lion Bruce Swenson gave the Gambling Manager's Report. December saw \$667 in income and \$1,975 in expenses. The checkbook balance at the beginning of the month was \$7,465 and \$6,135 at the end of the month. Expenses included start up costs for the new site at the Brookside in Marine. The Brookside operation is starting out well and shows promise.
6. We received several Thank You notes:
 - Thank You from International Hearing Dogs for our \$300 contribution at the Parade of Green
 - Thank You from the Minnesota Eye Bank and Clinic (two notes)
 - Thank You from the Fred Boesel family. Fred is in recovery at Bethesda Hospital in St. Paul
 - Thank You from the nurses at School District #831 for the audiometer to check student's hearing
 - Thank You from student Scott Sova for the contribution that allows him to attend Sea Base Camp this coming March. Scott plans to attend a Lions meeting after his return to report on his trip.
7. We received a Thank You from Lion Surya and Carol Pierce for flowers and caring visitations during Surya's hospitalization. Lion Surya had a pacemaker installed, had an emergency return to the hospital, and is now at Bethesda Hospital in St. Paul for recuperation. Lion Surya has had some close calls but is still hanging on. He will probably be at Bethesda for the next three weeks. He appreciates visitations and phone calls, even though he has difficulty speaking. Lion Surya is in Room #441 - 4th floor at Bethesda Hospital. His room telephone number is (651) 232-2112. The Nurses station can be reached at (651) 232-2388. The general number for Bethesda Hospital is (651) 232-2000.
8. Lion Mike Hermes swore in new member Lynn Linder. Lion Bonnie Olsen is her sponsor. Lion Lynn is the wife of Lion Dave Linder who recently joined our Lions Club. They own and operate Linder Florists.
9. The American Cancer Society is again sponsoring daffodils for nursing homes. Lion Bob Jensen made a motion that we donate \$340 to the American Cancer Society for the purchase of daffodils. Lion Jerry Johnson seconded the motion, which then passed. Lion Gordy and Judy Rydeen deliver the flowers to nursing homes in our area. \$340 to the American Cancer Society from the Contribution Account.

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10. Lion Larry Peterson and Lion Jim West, Sr. reported on progress of the Sight First II Campaign. Individual contributions are encouraged. Lion Larry and Lion Jim have committed to \$25,000 from our club to the SF II Campaign over the next three years. We gave \$1000 at the Parade of Green in January as our first of three annual club contributions. Lion Bonnie Olsen made a motion that we commit to an additional \$2000 to be given over the next two years. Lion Larry Peterson seconded the motion which then passed. Our next payment will be next year, probably at the 2008 Parade of Green.
11. Lion Bruce Swenson asked for volunteers to help count inventory of kitchen equipment here at the Community Center. This activity will take place tonight after our meeting.
12. Lion Violet French reported on plans for the Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, February 4. A Country Messenger flyer was included in this weeks Messenger mailing. The breakfast will be served buffet style. A signup sheet has been passed and there is still a need for Lions to bus dishes and clear tables for reset. The serving will be from 8:00 to 11:00 AM. Please come at 7:30 AM for work assignments and last minute setup.
13. Lion Denny Seefeldt reported on a visit to Scandia by former Lion Bill Miller (big Bill from Big Marine Lake) and his wife Lois. They stopped in Scandia to buy a Jenna Lynn Calendar and asked Lion Denny to greet the Lions.
14. Lion Ken Sogge offered dues invoices to those who have been left out. He also has club pins (the white horses) available for the new members.

Lion Jim Opp spoke about the Eye Bank and Clinic at the University of Minnesota. Lion Jim is in his third year of a six year term as a Director of the Clinic. Donations (many from Lions Clubs) and tissue transplant fees fund the Clinic operations. The Eye Bank Clinic is planning to move to larger facilities at the University. Evolving new and improved procedures are constantly being researched and implemented at the clinic. Our Eye Bank Clinic is one of the top six such operations in the United States.

Lion Jim encouraged all of us to make sure we have obtained donor cards. He also encouraged used eye glasses recycling in our community. Used eyeglasses are distributed by Lions worldwide.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM. A wonderful roast beef dinner was served.

Secretary Lion Ken Sogge _____