

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF REGULAR CLUB MEETINGS

The Regular Morning meeting of the Scandia Marine Lions Club, of Scandia, MN and Marine on St. Croix, MN. was called to order on **Thursday, January 10, 2008** by the Club President Lion Dan Hames at 8:00 AM at the Scandia Community Center with those members in attendance as shown on the Attendance Record and Guest Register.

Attendance:	
Guests:	8
Members:	48
Percentage	44 %

Transcribe below the Minutes of the Business Meeting:

- Several guests were introduced:
Princess Kay of the Milky Way, Ann Miron and her parents
Marion Mack, guest of Lion Al Lenz
Ruth Willius, guest of Lion Sharon Kangas
Theresa, representing the Country Messenger
- Lion Mike Hermes inducted a new member, Adam Lushanko. Adam has already been involved in many Lions activities in our club.
- The Secretary's Report was approved as distributed to the tables for review.
- Lion Jim West Jr. gave the Treasurer's Report. We have \$2,161.09 in the Administrative Account; \$2,184.55 in the Contribution Account; \$3,414.83 in the Scholarship Account; and \$11,791.68 in the Taco Daze Account. This results in a total of \$19,552.15 in all Lions accounts. Super Savers have been sold to the tune of \$7,300.00. There is \$5,524.62 in the Ball Park Account. The report was approved as distributed to the tables for review.
- Lion President King Dan Hames read the Lions birthdays for January. This list included most, if not all, of the outstanding Lions in our club. The honorees helped with the singing, or it would have failed miserably.
- We received a Thank You note from Carol Pierce for the poinsettia plant delivered to Lion Surya Pierce, who is currently at the North St. Paul Transitional Care Center.
- Lion King Dan presented awards as following:
 - A special pin award to Lion Marilyn Opp for recruiting four new Lions
 - A club TOPAZ Award for contributing over \$100 per member to the Sight First II Campaign. Chairpersons Lion Jim West and Lion Larry Peterson accepted the award. Lion Larry will put in on our club banner.
- Lion Larry Peterson reported on the Midwinter Convention held last weekend. Leader Dogs were a significant emphasis at the presentations. Seven Lions and their spouses thoroughly enjoyed attending the convention.
- Lion Jim Opp spoke to us about organ donor recruitment. This opportunity will be emphasized this year.
- Lion Mary Jo Milbrandt announced the next Pancake Breakfast scheduled for Sunday, February 3, 2008. A signup sheet was distributed.
- The board has decided that we should have a booth at the Forest Lake Home & Business Show to be held at Forest Lake High School on Saturday, March 15.
- Lion King Dan told us of a leadership training program for Lions to be held on Saturday, January 26. See Lion Dan for more details.

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13. The Contribution Review Committee made donation recommendations as follows:

- \$300 to Bob Duncan, Jr. for hamburger to feed the homeless at the St. Paul Salvation Army Hall. A motion made by Lion Al Lenz, seconded by Lion Marilyn Opp was passed. \$300 to Bob Duncan from the Contribution Account.
- Up to \$330 to prepare signage and reserve a space for a booth at the aforementioned Forest Lake Home & Business Show. A motion made by Lion Jeff Pratt, seconded by Lion Sharon Kangas was passed. Up to \$330 to fund the Forest Lake Home & Business booth from the Contribution Account.

14. An additional \$110 to cover the cost of new chairs for the Scandia Community Center (an allocation of \$6500 was previously committed to this purchase). A motion made by Lion Marilyn Opp, seconded by Lion Jeff Pratt was passed. \$110 to Lion Bruce Swenson for Community Center chairs from the Contribution Account.

15. Lion King Dan reminded us of the St. Croix Valley Lions Chili Feed on Saturday, January 27. Tickets are available.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 AM.

Princess Kay of the Milky Way, Ann Miron, spoke to us about her experiences. Princess Ann was raised on a fifth generation dairy farm in Hugo, Minnesota. She is currently a sophomore at the St. Paul Campus of the University of Minnesota, majoring in Agriculture Education. She intends to be an agriculture teacher and a High School FFA advisor. She reports that there remain over 5000 dairy farms in Minnesota, and that the average farm size has grown dramatically as has the size of the herds on these farms. Princess Ann was on an agriculture trip to China to learn about farming there, especially dairy farming. She reports that farming in China remains very labor intensive, even though modern technology has and is easily available. The Chinese realize how many citizens would be unemployed if agriculture was modernized. Princess Ann is a very poised speaker and had no trouble keeping our attention.

Secretary Lion Ken Sogge _____