



PRESIDING Lion President Charles Nelson presided and Lion Roy Minor offered the invocation.



GUESTS We were most pleased to welcome Dian Yurk, a friend of Lion Pearl's and a perspective member. She and Pearl share a class in international relations. Dian, we hope to see you at the Presidents BBQ and look forward to getting to know you.

HEAR YE!

Lion Bill Downey reminds us that he and Elia will be hosting the Presidents BBQ will be held at their house, 14330 DeBell Drive, Los Altos Hills, at 2pm on Sunday, September 26th. Lion Hal Moreno announced that the Holiday party will be held at the University Club on December 19th - details to follow. And Lion Al Thomas reminds us that the registration training session for the October 3rd Walk for Diabetes is being held on the evening of Wednesday the 29th at Mitchell Park.



The Board met on the evening of September 16th and tackled an agenda with some 20 items. Among other actions, the Board voted to provide \$100 to LCIF's BELSEN emergency fund and \$200 to underwrite the expenses of this year's speaker's contest being overseen by Lion Al Thomas. Learn more from the minutes of the meeting, available at the head table.



Officers Training Session. Lions Chaz, Ken Harker and Jim Anderson a special District-wide training session for officers on Saturday at the Foster City Rec Center. The program was so well organized and presented that we managed to finish an hour early, despite extensive audience participation. And lunch was super good, too!



DOOR PRIZE



The Door Prize, a quartz clock, was donated by Pearl Director and won by Ken Harker. Future door prizes: Sept. 21 - David Buchanan; Sept. 28 - David Chappell; Oct. 5 - Carole Martin; Oct. 12 - Steve Barber; Oct. 19 - Steve Pedon.



Meetings

- Sept 27 - Peninsular Council
- Oct 3 - Walk for Diabetes from 6AM to Noon at Mitchell Park in Palo Alto

Kuku - Not a Game for the Sentimental Simba



Tail twister and Kuku veteran, Lion Bruce Whitson, spins deftly away from a Whisker Slasher who had wrent the kuku cockup, or practice kuku,



from his fangs. Placing his body between the slasher and his prize, Lion Bruce, the famed Palo Alto Kuku Kruncher, shoulders the cockup and turns to bite it firmly on the head. Kuku, the Swahili word for chicken, is a competition that is played as singles, doubles or pride matches. A live chicken is tossed up in the center of a wide ring. Whoever captures and carries the chicken out of the ring first is the winner and may dispose of the chicken at will (usually at lunch or dinner, actually). Eating the Kuku in the ring is a fowl, though the swallowing of stray parts is permitted up to a point. Lion Bruce has been practicing for a challenge round of Kuku with an as yet unnamed champion in a memorial match with our arch rivals, the Berkeley Bashers, to be held on November 18th - a spectacle not to missed.

PROGRAM IPP Lion Jim McLaughlin, our speaker chair for September, introduced his old fire buddy, Leonard Williams, a true fire engine bug, who collects and keeps running a wonderful assortment of splendid vintage machines.



Now Rolls are nice and Porsches are fast,
But Fire Engines are red and built to last!
Ferraris are red, it's true, yes it is,
And their engines quite loud, yes they are!
But fire engines spray water and their horns are a blast,
And a Ferrari, my friends, well, what can I say,
Perspective, by Lion Chaz a Ferrari is just a car.



Leonard showed us his machines and told us tales of their deeds, which was fascinating for sure. If it weren't for the obsessive fascination of Leonard and his friends, these wonderful creations would have passed, unnoticed, from our collective consciousness. Well done, Leonard! Oh, by any chance did you have a red squirt gun about age five?

- Sept 21 - Visitation of Governor Lion Ray Rosenthal
- Sept 21 - Sister Janet - needs & accomplishments of Seton School
- Sept 26 - Presidents BBQ at the Downeys'
- Sept 28 - Peter Fortenbaugh, Director, Boys & Girls Club of the Peninsula on current programs for youth



Remember to bring fruit for Elizabeth Seton School.

