



January 10, 2006

District 4-C4

PRESIDING CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE

Lion President Ken Harker presided and Lion Roy Minor offered the invocation.



The Concours Working Group met on Wednesday evening. The big news is that the Union Bank of California has become the Presenting Sponsor of the Concours. It is a three year package that provides a substantial level of support.

The bank, in the personage of Dee Tolles, will also be attending Working Group meetings on a regular basis, and the Honorary Judge of this year's Concours will be an official of Union Bank.



There is now a well thought out traffic control plan and three field designs under consideration that will work with this traffic plan - each different from last year's layout. Money from vendors has begun to roll in - so the wheels are turning.



Another innovation will be a walking tour with Martin Swig and Ivan Zarimba, who will visit particularly interesting cars and exhibits, explain what's what and who's who, as well as colorful stories. This has been done at the Concours some years ago, and at other car shows, and is universally very popular.

Everyone who has heard Martin waxing automotive will be lining up for this tour of the Concours.

Remember, February 7th is Scotch Day! Start gathering your filthy lucre, rest those long noses, and pamper your pallets. We expect that the bidding will be brisk. And remember, there's Bourbon as well. Yuck - how do you guys stand this stuff?



The Door Prize was provided by Hal Moreno. Future door prizes: Jan 17 - Ken Harker; Jan 24 - Wayne Saylor; Jan 31 - No meeting; Feb 7 - Roger Stroud; Feb 14 - Joan Peterson; Feb 21 - Tom Sutton; Feb 28 - Roy Minor.



UNION BANK OF CALIFORNIA

Meetings

- Jan 23 - Peninsula Council - Doubletree 835 Airport Blvd.
- Feb 25 - 3rd Cabinet Floster City Rec 630 Shell Blvd, FC

LEONARD'S STORY

So, I'm sure you all remember when Superman was transmorgified into a Lion for that old Beauty and the Beast Routine. Now Transmorgification requires a donor and, in this case, it was an unwilling donor, Leonard the Lion, once the master of Savanna Kingdom at Gotham Animal World.

One morning Leonard wakes up with a terrible hangover, which, when he looks in the mirror, gets a lot worse. He's got Superman's Head and hands, no mane and very little body hair. Thank goodness, Leonard's still got his tail (thanks to Art. 17, Cls. 7, Para. 3 of the Comic Transmorgification Code, which specifies that super character suits may contain only body parts for which they were originally designed). Poor Leonard had to hide for 10 days in the jungle (fortunately, he had X-Ray vision).



HELP ONE CHILD

Lion Wayne Saylor introduced the Executive Director of Help One Child, Susan Kammerer, who was on hand to tell us about their program.

Help One Child is a fourteen year old program based in Los Altos that finds foster care for at risk children by identifying potential foster homes and maintaining a network of volunteers, support groups and community organizations to train and support foster parents. At heart, it is a faith-based initiative that draws from some 400 churches in the greater Bay area and has placed over 1,000 children in its fourteen year history.

Support for foster parents can take the form of finances, donated goods and services, volunteer baby sitting, camps and outings; training in CPR, first aid and water safety; health and TB screening; and training in parenting skills including therapeutic parenting for children with attachment disorder. There are also support groups for parents and volunteers, and training for volunteers.

Help One Child does all this on an annual budget of \$275,000. 4% goes to fundraising and 96% to recruiting, training and support. Currently, there are 236 children their network, and over 500 active volunteers who put in more than 5,000 hours annually. So, at about \$1,100 per child per year, they are making every penny count.



- Jan 17 - The Governor & Cabinet visits
- Jan 24 - ILan Wurman of the Partisan Review
- Jan 31 - No Meeting (5th Tuesday)
- Feb 7 - Private Scotch Auction for charity

Remember to bring Fresh Fruit for Elizabeth Seton School

