

FENWICK ISLAND LUNCH MEETING MINUTES

January 4, 2016

HARPOON HANNA'S RESTAURANT

OPENING

Call to order –PP Fran Pretty

Pledge of Allegiance –Linda St Clair

Leading singing of “God Bless America” – Theresa Pitman

Invocation – Jim Miles

Lions Toast – Bob Pretty

ATTENDANCE – 25 members and 11 guests.

Lion Fran welcomed everyone and introduced our guests:

Guests were: four members from the Hebron Lions Club; three from the Laurel Lions Club; Lisa Hudson (friend of the St Clairs); Anthony Del Franco, speaker from CHEER; Bill Watson's wife Evelyn.

Lion Fran brought us up to date on the following:

The “Rose Ceremony” was given at the funeral of FILC Lion Dan Hill.

Fruit baskets were given to: Lion John Carl, Lion Paul Ravilious, Lion Don Lynch, PDG Lion Noble Simpson and the family of Lion Dan Hill.

Our MOW volunteers delivered 141 hams to the clients of the Pyle Cheer Center.

LUNCH WAS SERVED

GUEST SPEAKER

Mr. Del Franco is the manager of the CHEER Centers. CHEER was started in Seaford in 1971 by Reverend Keen, who saw a need in the communities for help to those who were shut ins or sickly. Today, the CHEER program provides 87% of help, meals and transportation to homebound clients. In 2015, over 275,000 meals were delivered.

There are 7 CHEER Centers: Ocean View, Milton, Georgetown, Roxana, Lewes, Long Neck and Greenwood. The food is prepared at the Georgetown center, where volunteers come at 1 am to begin cooking. The meals they prepare are chosen in advance for the whole year, as the menu has to be approved.

There are adult programs with pick up and drop off available. In the Georgetown center, 20 to 40 clients attend daily. A passenger bus picks them up takes them to the center, where they participate in games or some other activity and have lunch. After lunch they may go on a trip or doctor appointment.

There is also, a “CHEER MOBILE” which is available to clients if they need milk or bread, all they have to do is call the center. CHEER has about 500 volunteers from many organizations, like the Lions.

At Christmas time, approximately 280 meals (turkey and trimmings) plus a wrapped gift and a poinsettia were delivered to those clients having no immediate family.

The Georgetown center is available for wedding receptions, special dinners and other affairs. Food is provided by “Lighthouse Catering.”

It takes approximately \$10,000,000 per year to keep CHEER operating, most of which is from donations.

To attain receiving Meals, you must phone the Outreach Worker at one of the centers. They will visit and interview the prospective client.

Mr. Del Franco said, “they have been doing this for the past 44 years and will continue for the next 44 years.

BUSINESS MEETING/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Secretaries Report – approved as submitted

Treasurer's Report – Administrative Account \$4,127.80/Activities Account \$21,219.78 (will be giving \$4,500 for scholarships this month).

Environmental – cans are being collected (if anyone is able to collect cans this winter, call John Pitman)

MOW – are being delivered as scheduled

Membership – no report

Vision – 597 children and 3 adults were screened in 2015, six were in need of glasses.

LEO Club – have 135 members (30 helped at the Spaghetti dinner).

Outreach – 1 request for glasses, Fran working on this.

Lion Fran reported having heard from the new CVS. They had left over cereals, other food items and candy. Lion Bob Pretty will pick up these items and take them to the Pyle Center food bank.

OLD BUSINESS

Some of our members baked lots of cookies for the reception at the Wreath placing.

NEW BUSINESS

Our Board voted to return to Harpoon Hanna's for our meetings. This will begin in April. Today is the last lunch meeting until April. We will continue having our monthly Board meetings.

The Board voted to give a \$500 donation to the Selbyville Middle School Learning Center.

Lion Fran read off the list of new officers approved by the Board members. These nominees will be voted on at the April meeting.

A reminder about the Leadership Institute in February.

50/50 DRAWING (Bob Pretty - \$21.00)

JOKER DRAWING (No winner \$76.00)

DATES TO REMEMBER

January 16 – Melvin Jones Breakfast 9 am Dover \$18 reservation due January 9

March 28 – Official Board mtg. Fenwick Town Hall 4 pm

April 4 – Lunch mtg. Harpoon's 12 noon

April 18 – Lunch mtg. Harpoons 12 noon

April 25 – Official Board mtg. Fenwick Town Hall 4 pm

Submitted by,

Lion Theresa Pitman, Secretary

****Additions/Corrections may be emailed/phoned to me****

REMINDER

We collect non-perishable food items for the local food bank. Please bring your food donations to the meeting. Muriel will take them to the food bank, also, used eye glasses.

Please bring the items listed above to any of our club meetings.

DO ALL YOU CAN

Do all the good you can
By all the means you can
In all the ways you can
At all the places you can
To all the people you can
As long as ever you can

