## Regular Minutes of the Houston Cy-Fair Lions Club Tuesday Oct. 25, 2016 at 7PM at the Lions Den

Members: 14 Guests: 4

President Paul opened the meeting promptly. Lion John led the pledges to the flags. Lion Paul gave prayer. Lion Don, saying that our Country needs our prayers, led us in singing "God Bless America". Guests, Andrew and Erin Montemeyer, who are seeking a Lions Club home, were introduced, along with guest speaker Drs. Tabor and Gina Smith.

Dr. Tabor Smith reported that he owns Pure Life Chiropractic clinics in Tomball and on Jones Road. He first thanked us for inviting them and feeding us such wonderful food. He said it is very good to have health and vitality. Everyone has different goals in life, but we need good health in order to achieve those goals. The leading causes of death are heart disease and cancer. He informed us that we don't feel chronic degenerative changes in our body. Symptoms are a fire alarm, not the fire that causes the symptoms. What is health? The World Health Organization, in the 1940's, defined health as optimal functioning of the body. The brain controls everything in the body. He showed us a model of the spine and pelvis, and explained that global alignment is the correct positioning of each vertebra in relation to its neighbors. Disc spaces are what lie between the 24 movable bones of the spine and make movement of those bones possible. Health is our greatest asset. The spine and nervous system control our health. If we schedule tonight, he is offering two visits one of his offices for \$47, regularly \$117. The first visit will consist of a consultation with him and full spine x-rays. At the second visit, he will go over each of the x-rays and show any abnormalities.

Lion Dorothy passed out copies of the minutes of the last meeting, which were read. Motion was made by Lion Keith, seconded by Lion Bob, that we accept the minutes as written. Motion passed.

Lion Chuck gave the Treasurer's report. The Bike Ride still has some bills outstanding.

Lion Chuck discussed the Bike Ride held earlier this month. He said it was our worst one ever, with a major accident not five minutes into the ride, where an elderly member of North West Cycling Club fell, hit her head, and was transported by ambulance to the Conroe Hospital. She was discharged later that day to the care of her sons. We had the lowest attendance ever, with just 125 riders. We have a deficit of over \$1000 for the bike ride thus far. Lion Chuck said he advertised our Bike Ride as he usually does, but later found out that there were several other organized bike rides and events going on at the same time. He will contact directors of the conflicting rides and if necessary, move our Bike Ride to the last Sunday in Sept. again. Riders reported that they liked the new 100 mile course.

The Magic Show has shown a profit, and Lion Chuck congratulated Lions Bud and Stedman for another successful fund raiser.

Lion Chuck reported that he had email to all Board of Directors the IRS 990EZ form for their review. Although we don't pay taxes, the IRS needs us to account for the monies we collect and disburse from the public. Motion by Lion Chuck, seconded by Lion Terry, that he accept the report as completed and send to the IRS. Motion passed.

Baseball is only happening on Wed. nights and every other Sunday, with an occasional tournament on weekends. Lion Chuck again requested that Club members step up and help our Club by volunteering to work shifts at the concession stand. When we have to hire out outside organizations to run the concession stand, we get no profits from that endeavor. The Cy-Fair Women's Association has purchased new electric appliances for cheese and chili. There was discussion on what happed to our big 30 cup electric urn. It was thrown away when it was causing shocks when touched. Lions John and Terry were asked to look into purchasing a new one for water for hot chocolate.

Lion Terry passed out forms for Wreaths Across America forms. We will again be selling Wreaths to the public at Ace Hardware on Jones Road on Friday Nov. 11, 2016 from 10AM to 2PM. We should be able to sell more wreaths since we now have the credit card machine. Wreaths will be placed on the graves of soldiers at the Houston National Cemetery on Saturday Dec. 17.

Lion Terry reported that a man requested that there be signs placed directing the public which fields are where, so they don't have to walk all over looking for a specific field. Lion Chuck will ask the Cy-Fair Sports Association to provide such a sign.

Lion Chuck reported that for the past several years, we have been given the opportunity to purchase gifts for needy children through the District 2-S2 PSC meeting. These are for children within the district who otherwise would not have Christmas gifts. Lions purchase the gifts from a card with the child's clothing size and wish list of 3 gifts. These gifts are then taken to the PSC meeting in December, and given to the organizers who make sure the children receive them by Christmas. There is no set amount needed to spend on the gifts, just whatever you desire. Those who wished to participate were asked to raise their hands. Lion Sandy will procure 10 Christmas Wish List cards at the PSC meeting next week. Then Lions can chose which child they which to provide Christmas for.

President Paul reported that Lion Becca said she will continue to coordinate the annual Christmas Cheer Food Basket program as in previous years.

We have been invited to participate in Jersey Village Holiday in the Park event. Last year we attempted to do vision screening, but were not able to provide a dark enough space. We did get two Campers through the event. It will be held Sun. Dec. 4. Lion Bob is trying to figure out how we can do vision screening outside.

President Paul passed around a Thank You note from a Camper.

We received from LCI a Banner Patch for engaging our Club members in meaningful service.

We were given a list of items Cypress Assistance Ministries need for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

There was a District 2-S2 Cabinet Meeting held at our facility on Oct. 15. President Paul reported that every chair was filled, and they ate a lot of donuts and drank 30 cups of coffee. A podium was donated by PDG Mark Roth.

Lion Dorothy reported that she received a stack for Thank You notes from the children at Boys and Girls Country who attended our Magic Show.

Lion Julie discussed a need for a sign on the concession stand to inform the public that all monies earned goes back to the community. Lion Keith discussed an ongoing video, listing our community outreach and the Texas Lions Camp. President Paul appointed Lions Julie and Keith to a committee to research advertising of ourselves and our accomplishments to the public at the concession stand and that we give back to the community.

Lion Merrell reported that umpires were again trying to get free water and hot dogs from the concession stand this past weekend, although it was not a Cy-Fair tournament. Lion Chuck reported that he has spoken to the Head Umpire on various occasions explaining that umpires do not automatically get free water and hot dogs. He will again discuss this with the Cy-Fair Sports Association.

With no further business, Lion Don dismissed us with a hearty Lions Roar. He collected \$3.00 in assorted fines.

Respectfully submitted, Sandy Martin, Secretary