



# Geneva-Excelsior Lions Club

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## Meeting Digest 1/3/24

The meeting was called to order by Lion President Steve Martin, on duty, live from 101 Grove St. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by Lion President Steve Martin. A philosophical, well accepted, invocation was offered by Lion Bob Fenech. Member introductions were handled by Lion President Steve Martin. 9 of our Lions were in attendance: Steve Martin, Bob & Zenaida Lawhon, Sharon Eberhardt, George Salet, Bob Fenech, Lyle Workman, Joe Farrah, and Bill Graziano.

## Correspondence

Announced by Lion Secretary Joe Farrah:

- Thank you note from the Lions Eye Foundation for our continued monthly support.
- Announcement of a proposed policy change to the District Policy Manual.
- Announcement of the District LCIF Square Dance on January 14th.

## During the Business Meeting

Also covered during the meeting:

- Student Speaker, Football, Youth & Community Raffle, and Crab Feed as noted below.
- District Governor's visitation; cancelled due to conflict, has not been rescheduled.

## Board Meeting

Covered during a quick meeting:

- Roll call and quorum.
- Minutes were approved as detailed in the club bulletin.
- Treasurer's report was approved as presented.
- Past Presidents Night and Nomination of Officers will take place at the second meeting in February on the 21st. Lion Steve Martin noted he's looking for another term.
- Donations approved:
  - \$100 to Lions Float, Inc.
  - \$200 to Student Speakers Foundation.
- The Balboa Jr. ROTC Drill Team is looking for funding; they may make a presentation / talk at the January 17th meeting.
- Other Balboa High discussions.

## Meeting Price Increase

**Last notice:** Julie let us know that beginning January 1st our dinners will be \$32.00; been a long time since a price increase and is overdue.

## Before and After

Member discussions before the meeting:

- Purchasing tee shirts online.
- What members did during the Christmas

- New Year week; current happenings.
- Controlling computer volume during the Zoom meeting.
- Joe Montana Whiskey No. 16 - Bill Graziano has to get some.

Member discussions after the meeting:

- A chain discussion: Bill's halo above his head - lead to: being Sicilian vs. Italian

- S. F. mayors - lead to: other S. F. mayors - lead to: the upcoming mayoral election.
- What goes for fun and politics in Pittsburg?
- Home insurance rates, and companies leaving the California market.
- The litigious attitude in California, and insurance company investments.
- P G & E and their problems.

Planning finally came together in the final days of 2023. Reservations can be made and paid for online on our website here: **GE Lions 37th Annual Crab Feed**. The flyer can also be downloaded from the same page.

Posts will be made to our Facebook feed from now thru February 13th. Please share

the posts with your friends to spread the word. If you don't follow our feed, *why not?*

Details of last year's purchases have been shared with those who participated so they can know what was done, and plan ahead. If you don't have a job, ask how you can help (other than inviting and buying tickets for all your friends.)



- This year's topic is "For a better world, what would you change?"

Our contest was scheduled for our January 17th meeting. An email has been received from Lion Paul Corvi indicating no responses have been received from the 13 schools invited to participate. ***Unless something***

*changes, our contest has been cancelled.*

The District Chairman has been contacted to see if any speakers are available. Stay tuned.



## Lions Youth & Community Activities Raffle

The chairman has sent another email out to all Clubs in the District to seek participation. It's not looking good - as of the meeting, of the 56 emails sent, only 13 had been opened. The last such email sent, last July, 43 of the 56 were opened. Lions don't seem to be paying attention. Things change.

## GE Lions Football

**Game 15: December 25th:** 1st quarter: Josephine Soracco; 2nd quarter: Mike Keys; 3rd quarter: Jilda Gumina; final: Tom Toohey; reverse final: Art Galla.

**Game 16: December 31st:** 1st & 3rd quarters: Mike Soracco; 2nd quarter: Honoring Al Gentile; donated to club, thanks Roxanne; final: Joseph Workman; reverse final: Ward Donnelly.

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## Our Coming Events

**1/17** If a miracle happens, Student Speaker Contest. Also, Balboa Drill Team may present.

**2/7** Business & Board Meeting via Zoom.

**2/17** 37th Annual Crab Feed - *participate!*

**2/21** Nomination of Officers and Past Presidents Night. Lion Steve Martin noted he's looking for another term.

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

**1/14** Happy Birthday to Lion Joe Farrah!

**1/15** Happy Birthday to Lion Ward Donnelly!

## Etcetera

Lion Bob Lawhon forwarded a link to an article, "*A Brief History of the Excelsior and Outer Mission Districts,*" in the Ingleside Light paper dated August 2022. Quite a read, but interesting.

## Around the District

### January 2024

**Monday, January 8**

4-C4: **Student Speakers Contest Participant Workshop NEW**

**Saturday, January 13**

San Carlos: **Whiskey Tasting**

**Sunday, January 14**

District 4-C4: **LCIF Square Dance Fundraiser**

**Tuesday, January 16**

District 4-C4: **Vision Screening Training Thursday, January 18**

Peninsula Special Interest: **11th Annual Diabetes Lobster Fest**

**Monday, January 22**

Save the date: **PCL Meeting hosted by Burlingame**

## From the Inbox



### About Lions International including:

- **From Brian Sheehan, LCIF Chair:** The December LCIF News. Available online.
- LCIF support for victims of the earthquake in Japan. Available online.
- The January Club Digest. Available online.

[genevaexcelsiorlions.com](http://genevaexcelsiorlions.com)

### About District 4-C4 including:

- District 4-C4 Q2 Newsletter. Available online.
- District 4-C4 proposed Policy change. Available online.

### From the far corners of the web:

- Our 17 Most-Saved Recipes of 2023 Are So Delicious, You'll Get Why Everyone Cooked Them.
- How to Stop Being Late.
- We Tried 100 Jarred Tomato Sauces — These Are 15 of the Best.

