



Geneva-Excelsior Lions Club

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Meeting Digest 4-3-24

The meeting was called to order by Lion President Steve Martin. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by Lion Zenaida Lawhon. The invocation was offered by Lion President Steve Martin. Member introductions were handled by Lion Lyle Workman. 7 of our Lions were in attendance: Steve Martin, George Salet, Lyle Workman, Bill Graziano, Joe Farrah, Bob & Zenaida Lawhon. Lion Aaron Straus was a guest for a short while.

Correspondence

From Secretary Joe Farrah, and Lion President Steve Martin:

- The upcoming Region 3 Hunger Project.
- Convention in Redding.
- Solicitation from Lions City of Hope.
- California Lions Foundation Hunger Grants available.
- Balboa Jr. ROTC wants.

Guest Speaker

Lion President Steve Martin has invited San Francisco Chief Deputy Sheriff Kevin McConnell to be our speaker at the April 17th regular meeting. He lives locally and will speak on a number of issues, including what's going on, Safe Streets, and more. Would be nice to have a good showing of members.

Business Meeting

Discussed during the meeting:

- Our Club paying for Convention fees

- and ways to get to the 4-C4 Convention.
- SFCCLC Police, Sheriff, and Fire Awards event.
- New member induction may take place at the April 17th meeting.

Before and After

Discussed before the meeting:

- Lion Steve Martin sometimes gets confused about our meeting format.
- Lions Bob & Zenaida are still suffering with medical issues; Bob's eyes, and Zenaida's back.

Discussed after the meeting:

- How it is being a Lion today vs. being one in the past.
- Live vs. Zoom meetings.
- Bill's Hermes scarf wall hanging.
- Oakland and San Francisco problems.
- Y & C Raffle vs. our old Charity Raffle, and how they work differently.
- Discussion of medical costs and how they're paid.

Board Meeting

Covered in a bit of a wild meeting was:

- Roll call and quorum.
- Minutes of the previous meeting.
- Treasurer's report.

- Discussion on how we make most donations once per year, at the end of our Lions year.

Nominations of Officers — It was moved, seconded, and passed that all Board members continue to serve in their current positions for the next year. They are:

- Steve Martin, President
- Bill Graziano, Vice President
- Joe Farrah, Secretary
- Lyle Workman, Treasurer
- Bob Fenech, Tail Twister
- Ward Donnelly, Lion Tamer
- Zenaida Lawhon, Director
- George Salet, Director
- Robert Lawhon, Membership Chairman

Balboa Jr. ROTC — This group is still being looked at. A couple of questions are unanswered: Do they have a booster club? Should our donation to the Alumni Association go in part to them? A point was made that they had participated in the Y & C Raffle in the past. Comments were made

about what the students get from the program; many students said it helped with discipline in the lives. We may not be able to help them until next year.

SFCCLC Police, Sheriff, & Fire Awards — A motion was made and passed to sponsor three awardees, and their wives or significant others, to the awards ceremony @ \$70 per person. A discussion about Attorney General Rob Bonta being the guest speaker; most were not in favor on this. History of the Council, as we know it, and how we've handled representation on the Council was discussed.

Paying registration for those attending the District Convention — A motion was made and passed to pay the registration for our possible two members attending; amount was not know. After a somewhat heated, and fairly long discussion on how this was done in the past, and Administration vs. Activities funds, the motion was withdrawn. This may be looked at again in the near future.



Lions Youth & Community Activities Raffle

Report included the following:

- Two groups have not returned books yet, and they'll be chased down.
- Drawing will be at 6:30 PM on April 17th at the IASC before our regular meeting begins. There may be representatives from selling groups present.



The Bottarini Family has made a \$100 donation to us in honor of Roger Bottarini, Lion Charlie Bottarini's son, who passed away suddenly in September last year. Our condolences to his family and friends.

Region 3 Hunger Project

Lion Zone Chair Sherman King wants us to know about the Region 3 Hunger Project on April 27th at the SF-Marin Food Bank at 1050 Marin St. It will take place from 11 AM to 1 PM in the warehouse. Make it there if possible.

Our Coming Events

4/17 Regular Lions Meeting plus Y & C Raffle Drawing.

5/1 Business & Board Meeting via Zoom.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

4/19 Happy Birthday to Marcy Stuhr!

Etcetera

Lion Ward Donnelly is in hospice and doing reasonably well - from son-in-law Arnie Sambel. Keep him in your thoughts.



The California Lions Foundation has announced a new Hunger Grant program. This program is designed to provide financial assistance to Lions Clubs across California who are working towards alleviating hunger in their communities.

The Hunger Grant program is available to all

Lions Clubs in California and will provide funding for projects that address the root causes of hunger, such as food insecurity, poverty, and lack of access to healthy food. The program aims to support initiatives that provide sustainable solutions to hunger, including community gardens, food banks, and nutrition education programs. More info is **available online**.

Around the District

April 2024

Saturday, April 13

Foster City: Blood Drive **NEW**

SF Healthcare Providers Cyber: **Casino Fundraising Trip CANCELLED**

Friday, April 19

Daly City Host: **Pasta Bingo**

SF Global Art Cyber: **Spring Banquet**

Saturday, April 20

District 4-C4 Region 5: **Diabetes Awareness Walk**

Peninsula Special Interest: **Vision Clinic**

SF Host: **104th Anniversary Dinner Dance Sunday, April 21**

Peninsula Special Interest: **Vision Clinic Monday, April 22**

PCL: **Meeting hosted by Half Moon Bay Friday, April 26**

SFCCLC: **Police, Sheriff, & Fire Awards Saturday, April 27**

Millbrae: **Second Annual Lobster Feed**

Save the date: District 4-C4: **Region 3 Service at SF-Marin Food Bank Sunday, April 28**

Save the date: District 4-C4: **Region 2 Childhood Cancer Project**

May 2024

Wednesday, May 15 - Sunday, May 19

District 4-C4: **2024 Convention**

Online or Paper Registration

Hospitality Room Registration **SOLD OUT!**

Convention Contests

Food Fair

Saturday, May 25

Bay Area Global Outreach: **Spring Dance Fundraiser**

From the Inbox



About Lions International including:

- **From Brian Sheehan, LCIF Chairperson:** Your March LCIF News. Available online.
- LCIF Disaster Response for the earthquake that struck south of Taipei. Info available online.
- Your April Club Digest. Available online.

From PDG Norm McDaniel including:

- A Faculty Development Institute in Anaheim, May 28th to 30th. Info available online.

About District 4-C4 including:

- The District has added a new Lions Club: San Francisco Bay Area Real Estate. More details to come.
- The District 4-C4 3rd Quarter Newsletter. Available for download.

From the far corners of the web:

- We're More in Debt than Ever. What Now?

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