



# Geneva-Excelsior Lions Club

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## Meeting Digest 12-4-24

The meeting was called to order by Lion President Stephen Martin. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Lion Zenaida Lawhon. The invocation was offered by Lion President Stephen Martin. Introductions were bypassed. Our Lions in attendance were: Stephen Martin, Lyle Workman, George Salet, Bob & Zenaida Lawhon, Sharon Eberhardt, Bob Fenech, and Joe Farrah. Guest was Lion Aaron Straus from Daly City Host.

- Roll call and quorum.
- Minutes; approved as presented in bulletin.
- Correspondence; mentioned elsewhere.
- Treasurer's report; approved as read and emailed.
- Donation of \$1,000.00 to the SF-Marin Food Bank as budgeted.

## Correspondence

- Nothing via snail mail since last bulletin.
- Email from District 4-C4 asking for help with food distribution on Saturday, December 7 at 7 PM.

If any member want a copy of any correspondence emailed to them, let the secretary or editor know.

## Donation Received

An unexpected donation was received via PayPal from Cathy Bottarini, daughter of past member Charlie Bottarini. A thank you letter was sent as well as an initial confirming email. Thanks Cathy!

## Board Meeting

Covered in a slightly hasty meeting:

Lion Sharon Eberhardt made a suggestion that all meetings should be help via Zoom as we did during Covid. Lion George Salet suggested a lunch meeting. These ideas led to a discussion about participation. Another idea suggested by Lion Sharon was that the amount of our dues discouraged possible members from joining. No conclusions came to light.



## Before and After

Subjects discussed before the meeting:

- Time management and being unfocused.
- Getting dark outside earlier.
- Crab Feed venue - reason behind why we need to move the event.
- Christmas is sneaking up on us; status of decorating.
- Cyber Monday Sales - changes to tech.

Discussed after the meeting:

- Briefly during the meeting: SF Politics.
- Murder of United Health CEO.
- What year did we, the Mission Lions, start Christmas with M.E.C.?
- Lions Football stats since start in 1991; how it's put together.
- Discussion on AI technology.

## Lions Christmas with Santa @ Mission Education Center



Lion Bob Lawhon has firmed up a date for our **43rd Annual Lions Christmas with Santa** at the Mission Education Center with Los Bomberos Firefighters. It has been set for **Wednesday, December 18, starting at 9 AM**. The need for publicity was discussed briefly. Lion Bob is looking for any members that can come down to assist. The Center is at 1670 Noe St., right on the corner.

on finding a new venue. He reported that he believes he has found one: Star of the Sea, referred to us by Suzie who has helped us by bring her group and helping at the Crab Feed. The school is located at 7th Avenue and Geary Street, and has on site parking.

Lion Bob plans on visiting the facility to both check on it, and to take some photos. He's trying to get this done in the next few days and will forward the photos and his report. Hopefully this will settle this portion of the Crab Feed.

Many wanted to know what we did last year. Here's the basic info from last year:

- 113 attended
- \$70 per person
- Profit made: \$4,315.08

There was a lengthy discussion covering everything from the facility, timing of the event, the kitchen, cleaners after the event, how much to charge, and if people from the Excelsior would travel cross town to attend. Alternate locations were also discussed.



**Saturday, February 22nd**

Lion Bob Lawhon has been working diligently



Lion Paul Corvi is overseas until December 22nd and is unable to do his annual invite mailing to schools. He could prepare it by email and send to another member to complete the mailing. **Any volunteers?** A Club contest can be set for January 19th or February 19th. Paul writes “Frankly, after the lack of response by schools recently, I don't want to do this anymore. Perhaps I could help a member take over. Thoughts? Paul.” **Is any member interested in taking this over?**

As Zone Chairman, Lion Sharon Eberhardt brought the contest up and asked if we were going to have a contest. The best answer we could give is “We don’t know.”



**Game 12:** 1st quarter: Ed Nasrah; 2nd quarter: Zenaida Lawhon; 3rd quarter: George Salet & Lyle Workman; final: Rick Wright; reverse final: Valentine & Scot Smith.

## Eye Glasses Requests



A request was received, via Lions Intl., to help provide eye glasses for a SF resident. The request has been bogged down a little, but

has been progressing. Lion Stephen Martin, and mostly Lion Bob Lawhon have been putting together an active workflow. Lion Bob connected with a doctor at Lens Crafters in Stonestown and the recipient has been referred there.

## Our Coming Events

**12/18** Regular Lions Meeting and quasi Christmas Party for whoever shows up. Be there!

**12/25** Merry Christmas!

**1/1/25** Happy New Year!

**1/1** Business & Board Meeting via Zoom

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

**12/7** Happy Birthday to Lion Stephen Martin!

**12/18** Happy 57th Anniversary to Lions Zenaida & Robert Lawhon!

**12/19** Happy Birthday to Jackie Lowe!

## Etcetera

**Food for thought:** People who do things vs. people who talk about doing things.

## Around the District

**December 2024**

**Saturday, December 7**

District 4-C4 Region 1: **Connie Bridgewater District Hunger Project**

**Sunday, December 8**

SF Latinos Unidos: **Holiday Buffet Brunch**

**Friday, December 13**

SF Ocean Ingleside: **Holiday Giftbag Give-Away**

**Saturday, December 14**

Bay Area Global Outreach: **National Wreaths Across America Day NEW**

SF Ocean Ingleside: **Feeding 5000 Christmas Turkey Giveaway NEW**

Bay Area Global Outreach: **Music is Medicine VII CANCELLED**

## From the Inbox

### About Lions International including:

- New tax item to worry about: Corporate Transparency Act. Info available online.
- Lions Portal Webinar, 12/12 and 12/13. Info available online.

### From the Las Vegas Host Lions including:

- Their December 2024 Newsletter. Available online and is a big download.

### From the far corners of the web including:

- 3 Things You Should Know Before Buying Your Next Bottle of Olive Oil.
- 5 Stunningly Simple Cookies, No Mixer Needed.

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