



# Geneva-Excelsior Lions Club

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## Meeting Digest 9-7-16

The meeting was called to order by Lion President Sharon Eberhardt who also led the pledge. Lion Bill Graziano gave the invocation. Introductions were led by Lion Tail Twister Bob Fenech. There were a total of 11 members present.

Lion May Wong gave a report as District Peace Poster Contest Chairman. Her goal is to bring together winners and their families from around the District to celebrate their success. She will be contacting schools in our area to arrange for participation in our contest. More to follow.

Football pool was briefly discussed; the first game will be on Monday, 9-12. Some sheets were given out at the meeting, with a majority being emailed prior to the game. A few spots have not been paid, but should be cleared up prior to the game.

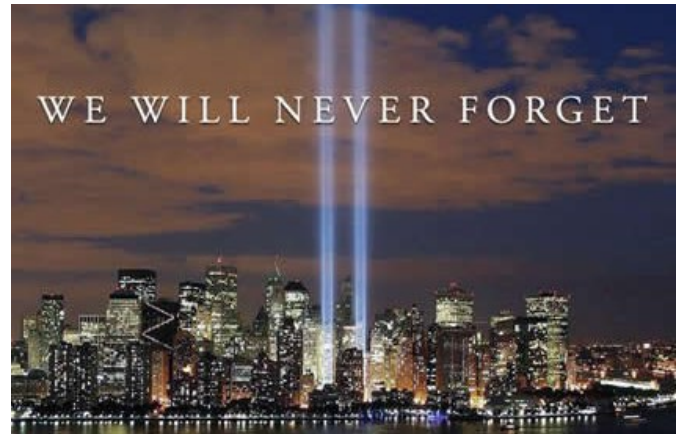
Lion Viela du Pont, co-chair with Lion Bill Graziano, of Y & C Raffle let us know that work has begun. Calls have been made, with participating groups letting us know how they love Lion Bill, with participation lining up. An effort will be undertaken to bring representatives to our Club to let us know what they're doing with funds raised. There was a question aired about whether a poster or flyer will be available.

Lion Bob Lawhon was present and reported on our efforts to sponsor Mission Educational Center again this year. The Thanksgiving Luncheon for students has been scheduled for Tuesday, Nov. 22nd. Participation from Club members and spouses is needed to help make it a success. Christmas for the students is scheduled for Thursday, Dec. 15th with Los Bomberos providing gifts and festivities. We participate through a donation to help offset the cost of gifts for this event.

Lion Bob Lawhon also reported on Program meetings for the Club. He has been an excellent chair in the past and

has many contacts that can provide talks for the Club. His suggestion for future program meetings is to tie it together with an Invite-a-Guest Night or invite other Lions Clubs in the area to meet with us to enjoy the programs. More to follow.

The regular business meeting blended into the board meeting once we started talking about the budget for the year.



## Board of Directors Meeting

Another discussion of the budget for the year; this time a reformatted budget format was presented and was ready for the discussion. The discussion went somewhat smoothly with only a few numbers being changed from the proposed budget. The same thoughts came up concerning budgeting vs. guidelines on spending. The conclusion, not necessarily agreed to, was that we treat the budget as a guideline only, not hard and fast limits. If spending in a category exceeds the budgeted amount, we consider the excess expenditure at that time to make sure we want to exceed the budget for it. The budget for Activities, and separate for Administration, were both passed. Lion Bob Fenech bravely doubled the projected income for the Crab Feed.

A letter was received from Lion Emily Powell concerning our donations to Balboa High School. It was asked if we would be giving on a monthly basis, but since we have changed our model to giving once per year on a grant basis most agreed that Balboa would be handled in this fashion.

A brief discussion of giving for the year, at this point last year, was had. Nothing has been set as applications have not been filed and groups have not visited our Club to let us know how funds are being spent. More to follow at some point.

## Lions Cennential Celebration

As the 100th Anniversary of the founding of Lions International approaches, we are hearing and reading more and more about it. District 4C4 is targeting March 25, 2017 as a "Save the Date" on your calendars.

Lions International has set up a new section of their site at [lions100](http://lions100), for this event. We'll be seeing and hearing a lot more about it, so don't ignore it but delve in and find out more.



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



## Attendance Raffle & Mystery Lion

Attendance Raffle winner was Lion Ed Damonte who missed out on \$1200.00 for not being present; Lion Viela du Pont was, again, the Mystery Lion and had no victims.

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

9/11, today, Happy Birthday Al Fregosi!; 10/1 Kathy & Lion George Salet

## Etcetera

From Lion Joe Farrah: "After four episodes of stomach pain, a visit to Peninsula Hospital ER Aug. 21, a cat-scan, ultrasound and blood work revealed I had Cholecystitis, an infection of the gallbladder The gallbladder was removed the next day. I returned home on the 31st and am in recovery stage."

Lion Ward Donnelly reported August attendance at 32%; which could use improvement.

## Coming Events

9/12 First game of the year for the 49ers; Monday Night Football

9/21 Program Meeting

## From the Web

Check this out if you've wondered how various age groups give: [The Next Generation of American Giving](#). Do we need to think of new ways for others to participate with us if we want to get new and younger members?