



Geneva-Excelsior Lions Club

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Meeting Digest 11-2-16

The meeting was called to order by Lion President Sharon Eberhardt. The pledge was led by Lion Bob Fenech and the invocation was given by Lion Bill Graziano.

Introductions were led by Lion Tail Twister Bob Fenech. There were a total of 14 members present.

The huge increase in attendance is attributed to Lion President Sharon calling many Lions about coming. Great job! Hopefully, the nudge will stick and many will continue to attend. It's a good habit.

Y & C Raffle

Lion Viela du Pont and Lion Bill Graziano commented that tickets are coming late which slows our process to a crawl. There was a heated discussion about the raffle, the conclusion was we'd have to wait for more info at the upcoming 11-5 Cabinet Meeting. The beginning has since been announced by email.

MEC Thanksgiving Luncheon

The MEC Thanksgiving Luncheon has been scheduled for Friday, November 18th. Their new principal Carla Vasquez is excited about it and reports they have 170 students and expect 180 by the date of the luncheon.

Lion Bob Lawhon has ordered food from Boston Market and needs to have several Lions on hand the day of the event to setup and help serve about 9:30 a.m.. There will be two seatings; one about 10 a.m. and one about 12 p.m. Someone needs to bring our Club banner. Put the date on your calendars and be there is possible.

Lion Bob Lawhon talked briefly about the MEC Christmas with Los Bomberos.

Club Christmas Party

Lions Viela du Pont and Bob Lawhon have made plans for

our Club Christmas Party. It will be at the Basque Cultural Center on December 15th. Details to follow.

Lion Bob Lawhon visited Bertolucchi's to check if it was available. He received a stiff talking to from one of the owners. Seems another Lions club had an event there and made a mess of things. Not sure if the Lions will be welcome there again.

Football

The latest winners were Mario Farana, Karl Bettencourt, Al Gentile, John Perryman, Viela du Pont, Handford Clews, Al Fregosi, Greg Terzian, Mike McClellan, and Mel Annuzzi, Jr.. More winners are coming.

Crab Feed

The venue continues to be somewhat of a problem. The Pomeroy Center has proved to be too expensive for a small gathering, so ground work continues. Lion Bob Fenech has tentatively reserved the Mariposa Yacht Club for February 18th in case a larger venue is not found. A brief update on insurance was given, followed by questions on who the chef will be; Mike Spediacci, Jr. everyone hopes. Lion Bob continues to search and is looking for suggestions.

Lions Eye Foundation

Lion Viela du Pont gave us a report on patients referred to LEF, in our Club name, from Clinic by the Bay. They have referred six operations from simple to complex. St. Anthony Foundation Free Clinic, Kaiser, West Coast Retina Clinic, and two other referred eye patients to Clinic by the Bay because of our connection to them.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

11/20 Kathy Salet

Board Meeting

With the largest attendance in a while, the Board Meeting was lively.

Lion Ward Donnelly gave the October attendance at 38%. The Student Speaker Contest kit has been forwarded to Lion Paul Covi, Chairman. It was noted we usually have our Club contest at the second meeting in February.

A big stack of requests from Lion Handford Clews was given to Lion Ward Donnelly for financial screening. Report at the next Board Meeting.

Lion May Wong reported she will be attending the MD4 Convention in Redding in February. We have not been represented at that convention, well, since no one could remember, ever.

Lion May Wong announced thank you letters the Lions Eye Foundation and about our participation in the Rocky Lombardi Wine Tasting.

The Treasurer's Report was given.

We donated \$1800 to Balboa High School and \$2000 to Clinic by the Bay.

Lion Ernie Braun was nominated and elected to fill the balance of Lion Charlie Bottarini's position as a Board Member.

Briefly discussed was the District Governor's Visitation, Clinic by the Bay's 6th Anniversary Celebration, and two parties at the IASC on Nov. 10th and Dec. 3rd.

Etcetera

There was a Celebration of Life honoring Jack Gentile on October 30th. Lion May Wong forwarded four photos from the celebration.

Lions Ernie Braun and Jerry Lowe attended the Sunset Lions Golf Tournament at Lincoln Park. Had a good time - Lion Ernie wants Lion Lyle Workman to chair another one for us. Not in the cards right now.

New bulletin cover and Club phone lists have been distributed; changes are already coming in. Lion Joe Farrah no longer has a fax line, Lion Ernie Braun's new home phone is 415-863-1454.

Lion Ernie Braun let me know that he and his wife's birthdays have not been announced. He has since let me know the dates; several of the newer members have not answered requests for info; if the info is not known, it

cannot be acted upon.

Attendance Raffle & Mystery Lion

Attendance Raffle winner was Lion Ward Donnelly, drawn by Lion Ernie Braun. Lion Ward donated the \$19 back to the Club; Lion Viela du Pont appointed herself Mystery Lion and had no victims.

Forwarded

Lion Joe Farrah forwarded the following from a Facebook memory posting.



11-8-15 - Lion Joe Farrah with wife Emily and Lion Charlie Bottarini peeking on the left.

Have any photos pertaining to the Club? Forward them to us with the details!

Coming Events

11/16 District Governor's Official Visitation
11/18 MEC Thanksgiving Luncheon
12/7 Business & Board Meeting

District 4C4 events are listed on the weekly announcement email that is forwarded to all members; those without an email address are missing these. Sorry.