



# Geneva-Excelsior Lions Club

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## Meeting Digest 7-18-18

The meeting was called to order by Lion President George Salet. Lion Zenaida Lawhon led the Pledge of Allegiance. The invocation was offered by Lion Bob Lawhon, and the introductions were called by Lion Tail Twister Bob Fenech. A total of 9 members were in attendance.

Lion Tail Twister Bob Fenech put a twist on the introductions. He asked that each Lion name their first girl or boy friend. Some members had the details on the tips of their tongues, other's brains turned to mush and had no details.

## Guest Speaker



Our guest speaker was Jim Billings, Development Manager at San Francisco Beautiful. He could not stay for the entire meeting, so he spoke just after the opening.

Since 1947 they have been the only organization whose sole purpose is to protect the character and enhance the livability of SF. They fight for open spaces, and their issues are activation, civic character, greening, livable streets, and participatory governance. More on their website: [sfbeautiful.org](http://sfbeautiful.org).

Mr. Billings told us that his father had been a Lion for 45 years. He went on to talk about his organization and how they had been around

for 71 years and some of their projects and accomplishments. He mentioned making art more accessible, street lamp styling on Van Ness Ave., art on MUNI, and other big projects of theirs. All in all, a better talk than perhaps we thought it would be.

## District 4-C4 Installation

Our own Lion Sharon Eberhardt will be installed as Zone Chairman for Region 2, Zone 1. Lions George Salet and Joe Farrah have already let it be known they will be attending. If you'd like to attend, let Lion Joe Farrah know right away. Reservations are due by August 1st.

The District 4-C4 Installation of Officers will take place on Friday, August, 10th at the San Mateo Marriott Hotel, 1770 So. Amphlett Blvd., San Mateo. District Governor Lion Lydia Taylor-Bellinger and her officers will be installed by Past International Director Lion Dr. Patricia Hill. The black tie optional affair will begin at 6 p.m. and is \$75 per person.

## Youth & Community Raffle



**Boom!** Some guy pressed the reset button and we have to start all over again! Dirty rat.

While running around like chickens with our heads cut off, we've managed to:

- Send renewal letters out to last year's advertisers and sponsors. **We need more sponsors.**
  - Renamed the old Charity Raffle Purchasers to Friends & Family and have sent lists to members and supports for updating.
  - Send out renewal letters to all active and inactive selling groups.
  - Placed ads in the Cabinet Installation Program and District Roster in an effort to get more Clubs to participate.
  - Other stuff too, but our brains are fried.
- Anyway, you get the point. Your cooperation is needed to make this successful. **If you've lost your Lions spark, find it and blow some life into it; and yes, that means you.**

## Football Fundraiser



Lion Lyle Workman reported that lists have already gone out to members and supporters, so funds will be coming in. It would be great to have all the funds in early so other work can be completed on other projects.

Had a call that Lee Mahon, sister of Jim Mahon had passed away last month. Lee had participated since 2005, and Jim since 1991. With his sisters passing, Jim finds it harder to keep track of the games and has given up his spots. What does all that mean - **we have 3 spots available.** First come, first served.

## Etcetera

Received a check from **Art Galla** for the Football Fundraiser with a note that former member **Al Fregosi** will be turning 104 on September 11th.

The same day, a check and note was received from **Al Fregosi**. His reply to a note asking "How ya doing?" was "Still breathing." You can't make this stuff up.

## Attendance Raffle & Mystery Lion

Attendance Raffle non-winner was Lion Steve Martin who missed out on \$600. The Mystery Lion was self-appointed Lion Ward Donnelly who had no victims.

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

8/1 Happy Birthday to Lion Bill Mayta!

8/3 Happy Anniversary to Margot & Lion Handford Clews!

8/7 Happy Birthday to Lion Bob Fenech!

## Coming Events

8/1 Lions Business & Board Meeting

8/10 Cabinet Installation

8/15 Regular Lions Meeting

A ton of events around the District are shown in the District 4-C4 Weekly Thread email which is forwarded to all members that want it, and linked under Upcoming Events on the District website. If you don't have an email address, get one.

