

Geneva-Excelsior Lions Club

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Meeting Digest 7/1/2020

The meeting was called to order by Outgoing President Lion George Salet. The Pledge of Allegiance was handled by Lion Bill Graziano with the flag holding help of Incoming President Lion Bob Lawhon; the invocation was given by Lion Bill Graziano who included Lion Ward, the new Lions year, and the 49ers, if they play. Introductions were started by stand-in Tail Twister Joe Farrah, and then on an individual basis. 7 Lions were in attendance: Lions Bob & Zenaida Lawhon, George Salet, Lyle Workman, Bill Graziano, Joe Farrah, and late arriving Steve Martin.

Correspondence

From Lion Secretary Joe Farrah:

 No correspondence received since last report.

Chairman's Reports

- Football: The 49ers schedule has been published and is hand; unsure if scheduled games will take place. Work will begin next week with a note to players if they wish to participate.
- Youth & Community Raffle: Letters will go out to selling groups next week to see if they will be participating.

Venmo

A new payment method is being tested by the Treasurer, Venmo. This allows for the

acceptance of electronic payments from members and those attending and participating in our fund raisers. Google "how to use venmo".

During the Meeting

Also touched on in the meeting:

- Venmo: What it is and how it is working; so far, so good. Piggybacked on this discussion was a short discussion on how some stores, etc. are no longer accepting cash and how that will affect buying habits.
- Ads are available in the District Directory with a deadline of July 15th.
- S.F. Unified Lions Club 5K Get Your Rear in Gear run or walk to benefit colon cancer research and awareness on July 12th.
- Meeting attendance: Is someone keeping track? Those present are published in the bulletin. We have not been awarding 100% Attendance Awards for some time but the info is included in the monthly MMR reports.
- Discussion on how Lion Ward Donnelly is doing.

"Stay Safe, and Be Well"

Board Meeting

Lion George Salet pushed us into the Board Meeting and started with completing last years business:

- Minutes of the previous Board Meeting were approved as chronicled in the bulletin.
- Treasurer's report: balance sheet gross numbers were read; items in both the administration and activities budget that were over budget for last year were highlighted; outstanding uncashed checks were mentioned. Report was approved.
- LCIF Melvin Jones Fellowships were discussed.

As is our tradition, the meeting was turned over to the new president, Lion Bob Lawhon, for new business. Lion Bob brought up:

- When an updated phone list would be done.
- An article on Lion Don Stanaway published in the last LEF Newsletter.
- Article about the Excelsior District published in the California Sun.
- His new email address,
 LionBob2020@gmail.com, used for
 Lions business.
- Our Lions brochure as a handout. The brochure has not been updated for some time.
- The budgets for Administration and Activities were approved as presented in June 17th meeting.
- At the close of the meeting, all those present expressed thanks to Lion George Salet for his leadership in the past two years as President.

Student Speaker Contest

The video that our speaker submitted for the Regional Contest was viewed in the meeting. Those present approved of his speech and were interested in the results. Our speaker, Michael Gray from Riordan High School, was unopposed with the Regional Contest and will move into the District Contest. Details will be available and published.

Condolences

Our Club's condolences to the family of David Demartini who passed away on April 20th at the age of 79. David was sponsored into Lions by Lion Joe Farrah in July 2008. He was a member until October 2014 and helped on a few activities.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

7/9 Happy Birthday to Lion Bob Lawhon!7/14 Happy Birthday to Lion Viela du Pont!7/18 Happy Birthday to Bobbi Damonte!

Coming Events

7/15 Regular Meeting via Zoom.8/5 Business & Board Meeting via Zoom.

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.

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From Lion Joe Farrah: Some members may be interested to learn that Al Fregosi is presently living with one of his three daughters in a duplex at 124 Oakwood Drive, Redwood City 94061.

From Lion Bob Lawhon attended the Coordinating Council of Lions meeting on June 25th. His report in an email to Lion Sharon Eberhardt: "I attended the Coordinating Council meeting last night and was glad to see you there. I think that our continuing presence at this Council is important because we need the ideas from other clubs on what they are doing to raise money for the their clubs. Therefore, I would like you to be our club's representative there. I will also attend any online meeting and when they have a meeting where we can personally met everyone we can go together. Let me know what you think."

From the Inbox

If any Lion, or other person, wants to see the emails this info came from, email me and let me know what you're interested in. They'll be available for a short time.

From District 4-C4:

A complete list of the new 2020-21
 Cabinet Officers including all officers,
 Regional Chairs, Zone Chairs, and clubs they cover.

From LCIF Chairperson Gudrun Yngvadottir:

- The Lions Blog on how Lions are helping others.
- LCIF Grant accomplishments.
- Helping Lions serve their local communities.

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