

## **Geneva-Excelsior Lions Club**

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### Meeting Digest 11/18/2020

The meeting was called to order by Lion President Bob Lawhon. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by Lion Joe Farrah with everyone else reciting silently. The invocation was given by Lion Viela du Pont. Introductions were done by Lion Lyle Workman, who introduced each Lion in turn. 12 Lions were in attendance: Lions Bob & Zenaida Lawhon, George Salet, Lyle Workman, Steve Martin, Viela du Pont, and Joe Farrah; cabinet officials were DG Fanny Chu, 1st VDG Dr. Jun Valera, 2nd VDG John Hui, Regional Chair Sharon Eberhardt, and from the Global Service Team, August Valera.

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Lions Youtube
Channel

#### **Governor's Visit**

All unnecessary business was set aside for the visit. Introductions were the first order of business:

- Lion President Bob Lawhon read Lion Jeny Kwak Weber's bio even though she was not present.
- Regional Chair Lion Sharon Eberhardt read her own bio and then introduced District Governor Lion Fanny Chu.
- She, in turn, introduced 1st VDG Dr. Jun

 Valera, 2nd VDG John Hui, and Global Service Team member August Valera.

## **District Governor Lion Fanny Chu's** remarks included:

- Skipped talking about LCI, but instead wanted to talk about things in our own District.
- Bio to be sent for 1st and 2nd VDGs.
- Cabinet officers and the District directory.
- A list of services done during the Covid pandemic.
- Long term membership chevrons (see separate article).
- Melvin Jones Awards (see separate article).
- Her Governor's pin.
- The District website and digital library which includes meeting videos, District history, and other resources.

# **1st VDG Lion Dr. Jun Valera's** remarks included:

- How everything has changed due to the Covid pandemic.
- Flu shots at Health Fairs being given with 8 Lions Clubs on Saturdays with thousands served with CDC guidelines.
- A Covid testing grant.

#### 2nd VDG Lion John Hui's remarks included:

- Info and compliance with the MD-4
   Youth Protection Program and efforts to make it easier to comply and report on the program.
- How clubs can report their compliance.

## Regional Chair Lion Sharon Eberhardt's remarks included:

- How it's odd being a Regional Chair and attending her own Club's meeting as such.
- How members of her Club have helped her along the way.
- How she enjoys learning about the Lions.

## Global Service Team member Lion August Valera's remarks included:

- Service reporting and that we're doing well reporting.
- Pandemic safer service projects, digital fundraisers, and social media.

### **During the Meeting**

**Lion President Bob Lawhon's** comments included:

- Membership and retaining members.
- In person meetings are missed.
- Future economics and helping.
- Fundraising and marketing, and PSAs.
- District newspapers.
- Lions exposure and other service clubs.

**Lion Viela du Pont** talked about the Clinic by the Bay and how they are helping the local community.

### **Long Term Membership Chevrons**

**District Governor Lion Fanny Chu** mentioned the following while saying that our consistency of membership is one of our Club's strengths:

- Lion Al Gentile with 63½ years; after some research, it was noted that he is the 2nd longest term member in the District.
- Lion Joe Farrah with 55 years.
- Lion Viela du Pont with 10 years.



## **Melvin Jones Fellowships**

**District Governor Lion Fanny Chu** presented Melvin Jones Fellowship Awards to the following Lions:

- Lion Al Gentile; since May 1957.
- Lion Joe Farrah; since May 1966. Lion Joe's comments can be heard on the meeting video.
- **Lion Handford Clews**; since February 1977.
- Lion Lyle Workman; since October 1982. Lion Lyle's comments can be heard on the meeting video.
- Lion Sharon Eberhardt; since
   December 2012. Lion Sharon's
   comments can be heard on the meeting video.



All aspects of the raffle are well underway:

**Groups:** The physical tickets were received on November 18th and were shipped out to the groups on the 19th. Now we wait for the results. One group has called and let the chairman know they would not be able to sell all of the books. It is a small group, so it does not hurt much.

**Members:** Nothing has changed since the last report; some improvement would be be good though.

Friends & Family: Returns have just about dried up, although last year they continued through February. We'll see what shows up.

Ads & Sponsors: To date, \$3,390.00 in ads and prize sponsorships have been received. We're getting very close to being fully sponsored. Only \$610.00 to reach our goal.

**Overall health:** All of our expenses have been covered, except prizes. Very good, although we have a way to go.

### **Lions Football**



Game 10 winners: 1st: Victor Sambel, 2nd & 3rd: Steven Annuzzi, final: Rick Wright, and reverse: Chris Economu.

Last week was a bi week, so we'll have more winners next week.

#### **Etcertera**

**Lion Bob Fenech** under went orthoscopic knee surgery on November 16th and,

although he's laid up in bed, he is doing well. Next is rehab.

**Possibly unnoticed:** next month will be the 71st anniversary of the founding of our club.

Lion Emily Powell Palmer wanted it noted that Lion Joe Farrah picked up used eye glasses collected at Balboa High School from Vickie Hackett.

#### **Before & After**

Before the meeting chit chat:

- A couple of tech issues.
- How Zoom meeting links are created.
- Tech changes, tech committee, and tech classes offered by Lion John Hui.

After the meeting blab:

 The meeting ended quickly, so not much.

### **Birthdays & Anniversaries**

**12/7** Happy Birthday to Lion Steve Martin! **12/13** Happy Birthday to Lion Ernie Braun!

## **Coming Events**

11/26 Thanksgiving Day.11/27 Native American Heritage Day12/2 Lions Business & Board Meeting12/16 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 Posts on the District website. If you don't have an email address, get one.

#### 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 Intl. President Jung-Yul Choi:

- World Diabetes Day was November 14th and video message.
- LCIF Sightfirst 30th Anniversary.

## From Dr. Jitsuihiro Yamada, Campaign 100 Chair:

- Foundation Fridays webinar and video.
- LCIF and Model Club FAQs.
- Melvin Jones Photo Contest.

#### From Lions Virtual.org:

 Dec. 2nd webinar on Specialty & Branch Clubs. Register online.



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