



Geneva-Excelsior Lions Club

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Meeting Digest 12/16/2020

The meeting was called to order by Lion President Bob Lawhon. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by Lion George Salet with a flag provided by Lion Bob Fenech with everyone else reciting silently. The invocation was given by Lion Viela du Pont. Introductions were done by Lion Bob Fenech. 8 Lions and were in attendance: Lions Bob & Zenaida Lawhon, George Salet, Lyle Workman, Bob Fenech, Viela du Pont, Sharon Eberhardt, and Joe Farrah.

During the Meeting

Also touched on in the meeting:

- Various discussions about Covid, Christmas, home remedies, what each is doing for Christmas, if we'd take the vaccine if available, who will get the vaccine and in what order, with some other things thrown in for good measure. It was one of those unfocused, talkative meetings.

View recordings of our meetings at:



**Geneva-Excelsior
Lions Youtube
Channel**

Correspondence

An email from the President elect of the Rotary Club of the Livermore Valley: “I am very passionate about human rights, the arts and people with disabilities. I know that the Lions clubs focus is service, especially aiding the blind and visually impaired. That is why I thought you might be interested to learn about Seeing-Through-Touch (website link). It’s mission is to bring the human rights to life for all members of society by providing a tactile and sensory experience through the development of human rights sculpture parks. The sculptures are meant to be touched and highlight social issues and valuable lessons in plain language and Braille. We would love the opportunity to present this idea at one of your meetings.”

“Stay Safe, and Be Well”

Before & After

Before the meeting chit chat:

- Farrah Shoes going back to the 1950s.
- Checking your spam and deleted messages folders.
- Hair care and business during Covid.

After the meeting blab:

- Books and the Hoover Institute.

Regional Meeting

On Tuesday, the 15th, Lion Sharon Eberhardt held her first Regional Meeting via Zoom. Four of her nine clubs were represented and shared what they were doing and how they were getting it done. Our Youth & Community Raffle was presented as a way to raise funds. Lion Sharon made a good point by stating that many young Lions did not have any knowledge of the raffle as it was run by the District. The meeting lasted about a hour with good exchange of info. PDG Lion Ken Ibarra was the guest speaker.

PDG Lion Ken Ibarra, although a member of the Global Membership Team, dedicated his talk to service. He hopes that all Clubs take the time and put in the effort to serve their communities. Lion Ken talked about the Redwood City Sunrise Club, with 5 members, and how he is helping them increase their service efforts. He met with them on Wednesday morning at 7:15 AM and has suggested they start small:

- Help a church group serving meals.
- Help the Salvation Army through the local south bay headquarters.
- Vision Screening in local pre-schools, since they are open with students.

During his talk he emphasized community by making several key points:

- Know your community and their needs by making local contacts.
- Find out who the key community people are and talk with them about the community.
- Who is your community? Many older Clubs’ members no longer live in the community where their Club is; find and reconnect with the community or redefine who your community is.



Lions Youth & Community Activities Raffle

Our fundraiser was talked about during the Regional meeting, but other than that, all is well. We're waiting for group returns to come in, and possibly more from Friends & Family.

Lions Football



Game 13 winners: 1st: Andy Stoepplewerth; 2nd & 3rd: Tom Toohey; final: Marie Reinertson; and reverse: Russell Gumina. There was some question as to whether Russell Gumina was the well known basketball player; answer unknown.

Student Speaker Contest

Lion Paul Corvi has penciled in March 3rd. Not sure if at the IASC or via Zoom but confusion reigns at most levels. The topic this year is: "Distance & Online Learning: Pros & Cons."

Crab Feed

After discussing the event for several months, and some of the possibilities for having it, on the recommendation of chairman Lion Bob Fenech and the members present, the event has been cancelled for this year.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

12/18 Happy Anniversary to Lions Zenaida & Bob Lawhon!

12/29 Happy Birthday to Lion Sharon Eberhardt!

12/30 Happy Birthday to Lion Rebecca Chen!

1/4 happy Birthday to Lion George Salet!

1/14 Happy Birthday to Lion Joe Farrah!

Coming Events

12/25 Merry Christmas!

1/1 Happy New Year!

1/6 Business & Board 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 Int'l. President Dr. Jung-Yul Choi including:

- Global effects of chronic hunger.
- Hunger project planners available online.
- "The Pandemic of the Century" a first-hand account of how the Lions of District 3232-F1 in Gujarat, India, have overcome incredible challenges and continued to safely serve the needs of their communities.

From Int'l. - The Club Digest including:

- The Results Are In: Check Out Our Leo Video Contest Winners.
- Check Out the Digital LION Magazine for Great Lion Stories.
- We Hit Our World Diabetes Day Goal.
- and more . . .

From Lions Virtual Foundation:

- Power Conference: A Virtual Call to Action. Join the conversation on Opioid Addiction by joining in on a zoom

- webinar on Saturday, December 19 at 10 AM. Register online.
- Watch a featured video or the #TalkAboutIt 2 minute promo.

From the far reaches of the web:

- How To Start a Digital Detox.
- Paycheck-To-Paycheck Nation: Why Even Americans With Higher Income Struggle With Bills.
- Your Dog's Nose Knows No Bounds – and Neither Does Its Love for You.

From MD-4:

- MD-4 Leadership Summit on Saturday, January 9, 2021 at 8:30 AM via Zoom. Register online and includes:
- Do We Really Want To Do That? Being Relevant and Meaningful.
- Member Retention - "Hakuna Matata" - What does it mean to you?"
- A Little Bit Service - A Little Bit Rock and Roll.



From MD-4; MD4 Peace Poster and Essay Contest Results:

Thank you to all the Clubs and Pre-Teens who participated in this years contest. There were so many beautiful posters. We had 5 judges: Artists and Journalist who painstakingly scored each item from digital images. Congratulations to District 4-L3's student who took the win, shown above, and District 4-L2 and District 4-L5 for Honorable Mention. The Essay contest was won by the District 4-L2 student.

