



# Geneva-Excelsior Lions Club

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## Meeting Digest 12/7/22

The meeting was called to order by Lion President Bob Lawhon. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Lion George Salet with an image of a US Flag flying over the Arizona Memorial in honor of Pearl Harbor Day. The invocation was given by Lion Zenaida Lawhon. Introductions were handled by Lion Joe Farrah. 5 of our Lions were in attendance: Bob & Zenaida Lawhon, Lyle Workman, Joe Farrah, and George Salet. JP Verzosa, who was voted in as a new member in the Board meeting, and Lion Aaron Straus also attended the meeting.

## Correspondence

Reported by Lion Secretary Joe Farrah:

- The District Governor and Cabinet will be attending our January 4th meeting.
- Note asking for support from Lions Camp at Teresita Pines.
- GAT New Member Recruitment Zoom meeting on June 30th.

## During the Business Meeting

Also discussed during the meeting was:

- Not a lot, other than what is reported here. Lion Bob had his engineer hat on and railroaded through everything very quickly! He must have been hungry.

## Notes on Upcoming Meetings

**12/21/22 Meeting:** The IASC has confirmed

they will be open for us to have our regular in person meeting. This could turn into our Christmas party so be prepared. The more, the merrier!

**1/4/23 Meeting:** District Governor John Hui and some of his cabinet will be attending the Zoom meeting. Protocols and arrangements

are being made. Please plan to attend if possible.

## Board Meeting

Covered in a quick meeting:

- Roll call and quorum.
- Minutes of the last Board meeting.
- Treasurer's report.
- \$1,000.00 donation to the SF-Marin Food Bank was approved.
- JP Verzosa, sponsored by Lion Bob Lawhon, was approved as a new member in our club.



New elected Lion JP Verzosa attending the Zoom meeting. Congratulations - we'll put you to work now.



#### **Crab Feed:** Discussed during the meeting:

- Hall rental deposit and Certificate of Insurance are taken care of.
- Price per person and projected income was discussed; we seem to be at \$70, but this is not finalized.
- Members should start thinking about getting their groups and guests together; invite as many as possible.
- Flyers and tickets will be ready as soon as the final decision on price is made; look for updates.



Winners on 11-21: 1st Quarter: Bobbi Damonte; 2nd Quarter: Sharon Eberhardt; 3rd Quarter: Marie Reinertson; Final: Linda Workman; Reverse: Bob & Madeline Fassett.

Winners on 11-27: 1st Quarter, 3rd Quarter, & Final: Paul Annuzzi; 2nd Quarter: Mike Soracco; Reverse: Mick Dimas.

Winners on 12-4: 1st Quarter: Jean Annuzzi; 2nd Quarter: Valentine & Scot Smith; 3rd Quarter: Mike Soracco; Final: Viela du Pont; Reverse: Chris Economu.



## **Lions Youth & Community Activities Raffle**

### **Up to the minute stats:**

**Members:** No changes: members have ordered 113 books of tickets and sponsored \$4,350.00 in prizes and ads.

**Friends & Family:** A total of 393 books of tickets have been purchased via our Friends & Family supporters. Hopefully, a few more will be spoken for.

**Selling Groups:** To date, 1683 books have been sent out to various groups working with us. 68 books have been returned by one group and they have already received their \$476 in earnings. It would be great if one or two more groups would partner with us.

### **Lions Christmas with Santa @ Mission Education Center**



For 11 years the we have partnered with Los Bombaros of the SFFD to bring Santa and his Elves to the Mission Education Center. MEC is a special school for Hispanic children ranging from ages 4 to 7 years old. These children have recently arrived (legally) and are learning how an American School works. They learn english and spanish, and get the routine of learning their ABCs. We try to bring them three traditions of America; one of them is Santa, who speaks Spanish and knows their names. The students sing songs and receive presents. When they see Santa they realize that America is a good place, full of good people. We are proud to provide this service. Additional photos from the event can be seen on our website.





Members of Los Bomberos with Bob (3rd from left) & Zenaida (3rd from right) Lawhon before the festivities began.



Members of Los Bomberos, with a little help, have brought in presents for the children.



A student rushes back to his place after receiving his gift from Santa as other students wait patiently.



Students sing with their teacher for Santa as she plays her ukulele.



A little boy shows off his new Iron Man for others.



Certificate of Service awarded to Los Bomberos de San Francisco for their continued support with this event.



## Etcetera

An email request was received via Lions International about where to donate used eye glasses. The local sender was referred to our list of donation sites on our website.

## Before and After the Meeting

Member discussions before the meeting:

- Christmas: parties, decorations, etc.
- December 7th attack on Pearl Harbor, and surrounding events.

Member discussions after the meeting:

- Zenaida ate all of Bob's banana dessert.
- Finding employees and how those out of work, or not working, survive.
- Tree problems with SF Public Works.
- Expectations over the years.
- Crab Feed organization.



**Excelsior District - San Francisco**  
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Please donate to Casa de Apoyo/Excelsior Bike Club's 2022 holiday bike giveback campaign.

Join them on Saturday, December 17th @ 20 Norton Street vaccine hub: they will be recreating Santa's Bike Shop, and gifting dozens of bikes to neighborhood families. They're accepting donations of new helmets, bike locks, and quality use... See more

**Excelsior Strong 2022**  
**HOLIDAY BIKE DRIVE**  
Repair Volunteers Needed & Bike Donations Appreciated

Sign up for a community bike repair session  
OR donate a good quality bicycle and/or brand new helmet

All contributions benefiting  
**EXCELSIOR STRONG** neighborhood  
**BIKE GIVEAWAY**

Repair Sessions & Donation  
Drop Off Dates & Location:

Tue Nov 22, 5:30-8pm	Tue Dec 6, 5:30-8pm
Sun Nov 27, 11-3pm	Sat Dec 10, 11-3pm
Sat Dec 3, 11-3pm	Fri Dec 16, 4-8pm

@ Casa De Apoyo Hub, 4834 Mission St

Text/Email to Confirm:  
grandesf@gmail.com  
415.710.8908

Local happening grabbed from Facebook



## Birthdays & Anniversaries

**12/13** Happy Birthday to Lion Ernie Braun!

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

## Our Coming Events

**12/21** Regular live meeting @ IASC.

**12/25** Merry Christmas!

## Around the District

### December 2022

**Monday, December 5**

Peninsula Special Interest: **Christmas Party NEW**

**Tuesday, December 6 - Thursday, December 8**

**MD-4 Faculty Development Institute**

**Tuesday, December 6**

Silicon Valley & SF Chinatown: **Christmas Party**

**Thursday, December 8**

SF Unified: **Toy Drive NEW**

SF Veterans & Silicon Valley Cyber: **2nd Annual Bikes4Vets™ Give-A-Way NEW**

**Friday, December 9**

SF Cosmopolitan: **A Very Merry Gatsby Christmas**

**Sunday, December 11**

**Multiple Clubs Health Fair**

**Be Red Cross Ready & Stop the Bleeding Training Class**

Brisbane: **Worldwide Candle Lighting**

**Saturday, December 17**

Bay Area Global Outreach: **Wreaths Across American's Wreath Laying NEW**

SF Ocean Ingleside: **Holiday Gift Bag Give-A-Way**

**Monday, December 19**

Region 2: **Service at St. Anthony's Dining Room NEW**

**Wednesday, December 21**

SF Ocean Ingleside: **Holiday Gift Bag Give-A-Way**

**Wednesday, December 28**

Region 2: **Service at St. Anthony's Dining Room NEW**

**January 2023**

**Wednesday, January 4**

**Lions Day at Disneyland**

**Friday, January 6**

Peninsula Special Interest: **10th Annual Diabetes Lobster Fest NEW**

**Monday, January 23**

Save the date: **Peninsula Council of Lions Clubs Meeting NEW**

## From the Inbox

**About Lions International** including:

- Your November LCIF News.
- Secure your spot at LDUN 2023.
- **From Jerome Thompson, PID:** Area 1 News. Available online.
- December Reno 2023 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum Newsletter. Contact the editor for a copy.
- Lions December Club Digest.

**From District 4-C4** including:

- Congratulations to Annie Tran, Lipman Middle School, Brisbane and to the Brisbane Lions Club for submitting the 2022 Peace Poster District Winner.
- Thanksgiving greetings from District Governor John Hui.
- Candidate Information for 2023-2024 District Governors; Nominating Committee Chair Lyle Workman.

**From Lion Donald Watson, Las Vegas Host Lions:**

- Their December 2022 Newsletter with three pages of info.

**From the far corners of the web:**

- Life in the Slow Lane.
- There's a Massive Antarctic Exploration Vehicle Lost Somewhere at the Bottom of the World.
- The Predator That Makes Great White Sharks Flee in Fear.
- 3 rules to express your thoughts so that everyone will understand you.
- This could make your brain melt: The dirty road to clean energy: how China's electric vehicle boom is ravaging the environment.

