



Geneva-Excelsior Lions Club

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Meeting Digest 7-16-25

The meeting was called to order by Lion President Stephen Martin. Pledge was led by Lion George Leeds. Invocation was offered by Lion Stephen Martin who included the flood victims in Texas. Each Lion introduced themselves. Our Lions in attendance were: Stephen Martin, Lyle Workman, George Salet, Bob & Zenaïda Lawhon, and George Leeds.

Discussed during the Meeting

Covered in the meeting:

- A quick visitation to Clinic by the Bay before tonight's meeting.
- Officer Training.
- The make up of Clubs.
- Where in the world is Bill Graziano and Bob Fenech.
- Upcoming District installation.
- Bob Lawhon mentioned a book on Las Vegas and growing up there in the 1960s.

Donation Received

As the result of **Lion Stephen Martin's** continuing behind the scenes hard work, we have received a donation of \$5,000.00 into our activities fund. The donation came from a friend of Steve's he used to work with in project management. Excellent work and very unexpected.



Stephen Martin & Zenaïda Lawhon at Clinic by the Bay visitation.



Credit: San Francisco History Center, San Francisco Public Library

1933
Alemany Emergency Hospital

Designed by city architect Charles H Sawyer, the Alemany Emergency Hospital was originally opened and dedicated on August 16, 1933. This was the last of 7 emergency hospitals in the network to be built. It was the final hospital added to help address the growing community in the Excelsior district. The San Francisco Emergency Hospital System was heralded around the nation as one of the "world's finest" and commended for their "exemplary service."

The Clinic by the Bay building in 1933.

Correspondence

Received was:

- Nothing new to report.

If any member wants a copy of any correspondence emailed to them, let the secretary or editor know.



Stephen Martin & Bob Lawhon at Clinic by the Bay visitation



Lions Youth & Community Activities Raffle

Work has begun on this year's Lion Youth & Community Activities Raffle:

- **Ads & Sponsors:** Letters have gone out to outside sponsors, including those who have not sponsored recently.
- **Groups:** Letters have gone out to active and inactive groups selling tickets.
- **Members:** Letters have gone out to our membership about purchasing books and ads and sponsorships. If you're not participating, please think about doing so. Returns are starting to come in.
- **Friends & Family:** Think about adding some new friends and family to our mailing list. We need to grow this segment! Send to the chairman.
- **Marketing:** Facebooks posts began on July 7th and will continue twice per day and twice weekly through November 28th looking for new groups to

- participate. If you see the post please share it to your Facebook feed.

If you don't know about any of this, have forgotten, or are interested - just ask!



For those participating, start saving your loose change for this year's Lions Football. It's due to kick off soon (pun intended).



Banner patch from Wilderness Camp for Deaf Children for sponsoring a child.



Banner patch from the Student Speakers Foundation for supporting them.

Our Coming Events

8/6 Business & Board Meeting via Zoom.

8/20 Regular Lions Meeting @ IASC.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

8/1 Happy Birthday to Lion Bill Mayta!

8/7 Happy Birthday to Lion Bob Fenech!

8/12 Happy Anniversary to Jackie & Lion Gerald Lowe!

Attendance Raffle

In an unusual move, there was a drawing in the attendance raffle. The winner/non-winner of \$150 was Lion Rebecca Chen who missed out on the big bucks!

Around the District

July 2025

Sunday, July 27

SF Chinatown: **Installation**

SF Korean American: **Installation**

Wednesday, July 30

District 4-C4: **Certified Guiding Lion Training**

August 2025

Sunday, August 3

SF Unified: **Get Your Rear in Gear**

Saturday, August 9

Millbrae: **Lobster Feed**

Friday, August 15

SF Unified: **Installation**

Monday, August 18

Bay Area Special Olympics: **BJ's Brewhouse Fundraiser NEW**

Friday, August 22

SF Dynamic, SF Healthcare Providers Cyber,

SF Host: **Joint Installation**

Sunday, August 24

District 4-C4: **Cabinet Installation & New Club Charter Events UPDATED**

September 2025

Thursday, September 4

District 4-C4: **2025 Chartered Organization Summit**

Saturday, September 6

SF Cosmopolitan: **A Date with Stage of Destiny**

Thursday - Saturday, September 18-20
USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum

Etcetera - about 50 years ago



January 21, 1976 - Past Presidents' Night, Granada Cafe, San Francisco - Front to back: left side: Fred Melchiori, Galdo Pavini, Frank Ferrera, Charles Bottarini, Ron Faina, member, member, and Ervin Smith. Right side: Bill Tonelli, Ed Farrah, Bob Woodall, member, member, and Joe Giuffre. Next table: Bob Dobbins.

From the Inbox

About Lions International including:

- **From Intl. President A. P. Singh:** Get ready for a year of success. Available online.
- **From LCIF Chair Fabricio Oliveira:** Welcome to a new Lion year. Available online.

About District 4-C4 including:

- Upcoming District Installation. Available online.
- Solicitation for ads in the installation program and district directory. Available online.
- Lion DG Cindy Zheng's email was hacked - it's going around.

Lions learning stuff: On June 16th I attended a Zoom webinar about Lion International's member portal. If you want to learn about it and how to use it, go here:

- [Lion Portal on YouTube.](#)

From the far corners of the web including:

- Why does food by the campfire taste better?
- 14 Bright and Bold Pesto Recipes to Upgrade Summer Cooking.
- Life Without Screens: This Camp Is a Teen's Worst Nightmare.
- Highway 89 Revisited.
- A Pair of Immense Icebergs Paying a Visit to a Small Greenland Village.