



Geneva-Excelsior Lions Club

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Meeting Digest 4-15-26

The meeting was called to order by Lion President Stephen Martin. The Pledge of Allegiance and invocation were dispensed with. Only four of our Lions were in attendance: Lyle Workman, Stephen Martin, Bill Mayta, and George Salet.

The beginning of the meeting was turned over to Lyle Workman for the Youth & Community Raffle drawing and is covered starting on the right.

Since there was only four members present, the meeting turned into a casual conversation affair. Among the topics covered was the Lomita Prieta earthquake in 1989, and more. At some point, the Palace Hotel became the subject and Bill Mayta had a wealth of experience with it. With his company Mayta & Jensen, he worked on remodeling / updating the hotel and shared a lot of intimate details on the hotel. We thought it would be interesting to visit the hotel with Bill and have him point out various details.



Lions Youth & Community Activities Raffle

April 15th finally came around and it was time for the drawing. Since only four were present, each of us drew 5 tickets, in random order, to determine the winners.

Here are the winners:

- **1st prize:** Letty Tacbianan, sold by the Merced Heights Lions.
- **2nd prize:** Will Lewis, sold by the Merced Heights Lions.
- **3rd prize:** Larry Brandon, sold by the Merced Heights Lions.
- **4th prize:** Lawrence Blunt, sold by Our Lady of Lourdes Parish.
- **5th prize:** Christine Fecchi, sold by the GE Lions.
- **6th prize:** Kevin Harrison, sold by Alpine Lodge #1.
- **7th prize:** Rodrigo Mendez, sold by Our Lady of Lourdes Parish.
- **8th prize:** Cynthia Fleming, sold by the Merced Heights Lions.
- **9th prize:** Carol Fund, sold by the SF Unified Lions.
- **10th prize:** Erika Rivas, sold by Our Lady of Lourdes Parish.
- **11th prize:** Bill Mayta, sold by the GE Lions.
- **12th prize:** Bernard Lee, sold by the Council of Past Masters.



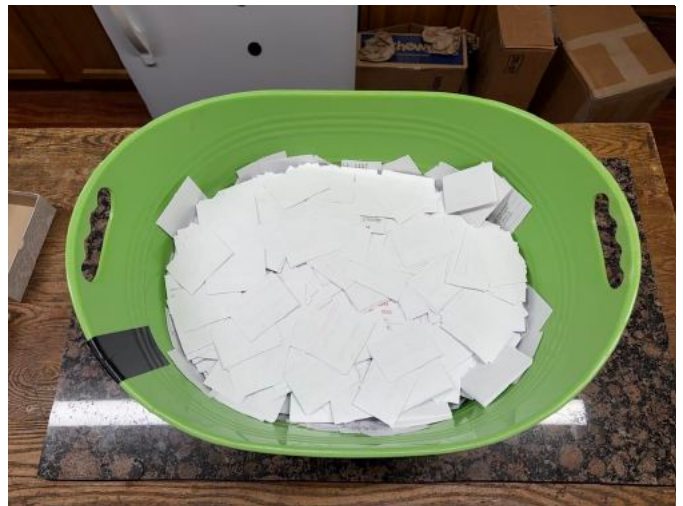
- **13th prize:** Cristobal Mas, sold by Our Lady of Lourdes Parish.
- **14th prize:** Adolphus Hill, sold by the Council of Past Masters.
- **15th prize:** Diego Mendez, sold by Our Lady of Lourdes Parish.
- **16th prize:** Carole Derenale, sold by the GE Lions.
- **17th prize:** Terry & Diana Oertel, sold by Our Lady of Lourdes Parish.
- **18th prize:** Shirell DeFils, sold by St. Paul Lodge #48.
- **19th prize:** Lydia Taylor, sold by the Merced Heights Lions.
- **20th prize:** Raymond Hom, sold by the SF Unified Lions.

In the end, 11 of our 18 members participated by getting tickets and / or sponsoring. Not terrible, but we can do better. Participation was down in all three of our streams of income; members, friends & family, and group sales.

The final numbers are in and we were able to add \$5,268.02 to our activities fund. Pretty good for the 38.28 hours, or so, spent on the raffle. Thanks to all who participated, helped, and did something to contribute. On to next year.



Stub cutting operation with about 1/3 of the books already cut. 6 1/2 hours to cut 1255 books.



All 12,550 stubs in a tub, all ready for the drawing.

Around the District

May 2026

Saturday, May 2

Silicon Valley: **5th Annual BBQ & Miss Asian**

Global Pageant

Sunday, May 3

District 4-C4: **Multi New Clubs Charter**

Event UPDATED

Thursday, May 7

District 4-C4: **What's On Your District 4-C4 Ballot? NEW**

San Carlos: **Watercolors and Wine Fundraiser**

Wednesday, May 13 - Sunday, May 17

District 4-C4: **District Convention**

Convention Theme: Hooray for Lions

Convention Colors: Black and Gold

Registration by Check
Registration by Credit Card
Hospitality Room
Amateur Show
Costume Parade
Food Fair
Tail Twister
Friday, May 15
SF Leo: Healing Hearts

Saturday, May 16
SF Park Presidio Sunset: Blood Drive
Thursday, May 21
MD-4: Workshop on Service Reports
Daly City Host: Nickel Auction

October 2026
Friday, May 15
SF Latinos Unidos: Health Fair **NEW**

Our Coming Events

5/6 Business & Board Meeting via Zoom.
5/20 Regular Lions Meeting @ IASC.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

5/4 Happy Birthday to Lion Gerald Lowe!

From the Inbox

About Lions International including:

- From A.P. Singh, Intl. President: Our reach is global, our time is now.
- Mission 1.5 Bulletin.

About Multiple District 4 including:

- MD-4 Workshop on Service Reports in the LCI Portal.

About District 4-C4 including:

- District Convention online preview.
- Fillable Delegate form.

From the far corners of the web including:

- The jobs AI can't do – and the young adults doing them.
- This 10-Minute Daily Squat Habit Will Boost Your Lifts and Improve Mobility.

Etcetera



Stephen Martin vacationing in Jacatepec, Mexico. Lucky guy!



San Francisco 1950 or so: Charlie and Frank Bottarini owned Associated Oil service station at the corner of Mt. Vernon Avenue and Mission Street. That is Charlie Bottarini servicing the tire.