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November 3rd Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Bill Graziano. Pledge to the Flag was led by Joe Farrah, and Paul Corvi gave the invocation. A total of 16 members were in attendance. Dick Johnson and Paul Corvi graciously hosted the members to wine. Tail-twister Bob Lawhon conducted introductions.

Committee Reports

Charity Raffle Co-Chairman Dick Johnson reported that 226 tickets had been paid for. He again appealed to stragglers to get their checks in as he would like to put a wrap on ticket sales.

Student Speaker Contest Chairman Paul Corvi reported he has received the package for the contest and he has set the date of Feb. 16, 2000 to conduct the contest at a club meeting.

Program Chairman Bob Lawhon announced that the 49er Night with R.C. Owens will be held at the Basque Cultural Center in So. S.F. on Nov. 17th. Ladies and guests are welcome. Bob also announced that the club's annual Christmas dinner will be held Dec. 15th at Rick's Restaurant on Taraval St. The speaker at the lunch meeting of Nov. 10th will be from Hiller Aviation Museum in San Carlos.

Youth & Community Activities Chairman Joe Farrah distributed the books of raffle tickets and posters to the members in attendance. He briefed the new club members on the raffle procedure. Books of tickets will be mailed to all of the other club members. Please don't put the tickets in a dresser drawer and forget about them.

Crab Feed Chairman George Salet reported everything is "fantastic." There was some discussion and suggestions as to how best to control the serving of chicken at the event.

Bill Graziano reported he represented the club at October's joint Peninsula and S.F. Council Meeting at Nick's, Rockaway Beach.

Handford Clews sold convention raffle tickets. "Honest" Charlie Stuhr drew Dick Johnson's number. Alas, the same Dick Johnson who hosted the club to wine came up with only a \$1 winning white golf ball. Mystery Lion Handford Clews identified the late-arriving Charlie Stuhr as his only victim. Away on a fishing trip, Al Gentile missed out on \$6 in the Attendance Drawing.

November 10th Meeting

This lunch meeting was called to order by President Bill Graziano. Pledge to the Flag was led by Ted Wildenradt, and Joe Farrah gave the invocation. A total of 15 members were in attendance. Gerry Lowe was a guest of Giulio Francesconi. Tail-Twister Bob Lawhon conducted introductions.

Committee Reports

Charity Raffle Co-Chairman Dick Johnson reported he has funds in hand for all but 16 of the

250 raffle tickets. The project is winding down.

Y & C A Chairman Joe Farrah reported raffle tickets have been distributed to all of the club members, and that participating groups have been contacted. Al Fregosi is the first in the club to turn in receipts of ticket sales. Al also turned in a bundle of used eyeglasses to coordinator Charley Bottarini.

Program Chairman Bob Lawhon reminded members that the next meeting will be 49er Night at the Basque Cultural Center. Dinner off of the menu will be \$25 per.

Program

Program Chairman Bob Lawhon presented Mr. Fay Kellogg from the Hiller Aviation Museum in San Carlos. Mr. Kellogg distributed literature and gave an overview of the museum and its contents. In the main gallery, visitors will be presented with a wide array of aircraft, models, interactive and hands-on displays, and multimedia presentations. They combine to tell a captivating tale, spanning the development of aviation since it leapfrogged from Europe and restarted in Northern California in the early 1800s.

Currently, over 75 aircraft comprise the Museum's rotating collection--more than \$11 million in replicas and restored aircraft. Although most are fixed-wing developments, the Museum also has an exhibition of vertical take-off and landing aircraft that will ignite your imagination about tomorrow's aviation.

The restoration of aircraft is a "work of art in progress," and a fascinating element in the overall experience of the museum. The 5,000 square foot workshop, seen through giant windows, offers a glimpse at the museum's latest acquisitions as they're brought back to a new life in the public eye.

The museum is open 7 days a week from 10 to 5. Admission is \$7 for adults, \$5 for seniors and children under 12. From S.F. take Hwy 101 south to Holly St./Redwood Shores exit. Go east onto Redwood Shores Pkwy, right onto Airport Rd., right onto Skyway Rd. Website: www.hiller.org

Guest Gerry Lowe drew Charley Bottarini's ticket in the Convention Raffle. Charley came up with a non-winning white golf ball. Charley was also the Mystery Lion. Absent Charley Stuhr missed out on \$8 in the Attendance Drawing.

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

11/27 Chas. & Estelle Bottarini; 12/4 Blanche Fregosi

COMING EVENTS

11/12-14 Second Cabinet Meeting at Carmel; 11/17 49er Night with R. C. Owens at Basque Cultural Center, So. S.F.; 11/28 Charity Raffle Dinner/Drawing at I.A.S.C.; 12/1 Board meeting; 12/15 Christmas dinner; 2/4-2/6 MD-4 Convention at Primm, NV