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September 19th Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Al Gentile. Wearing his patriotic Stars & Stripes T-shirt, Bob Fenech led in the Pledge to the Flag, and Charles Stuhr gave the invocation. A total of 15 members were in attendance. Secretary Bill Graziano announced that the newly organized S.F. Bay Lions Club would be holding its charter night dinner at the Patio Espanol on September 23rd. This club is sponsored by the Chinatown Lions Club. Committee Reports

Charity Raffle Chairman Giulio Francesconi thanked Ed Damonte for helping with the mailing of letters. Giulio proposed and the club voted in favor of contributing the entire net proceeds of the Charity Raffle to aid victims of the New York disaster.

Entertainment Book Chairman Aaron Straus reported he has five or six books available for sale. He further reported he has had responses from two schools wishing to participate in the Peace Poster competition. Regarding Youth & Community Activities raffle tickets, Aaron reported between eight and ten groups have responded that they wish to again participate.

Program Chairman Bob Lawhon moved and the club approved to contribute \$250 quarterly to the Association For The Visually Handicapped.

Bill Graziano drew a ticket held by Bottarini/Clews/Tonelli-in the Convention Raffle. Bottarini let his team down by picking only a \$1 winning white golf ball from the sack. Al Gentile won \$10 in the Attendance Drawing. Mystery Lion Ted Wildenradt nailed Aaron Straus as a victim.

October 3rd Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Al Gentile. Pledge to the Flag was led by Ted Wildenradt, and George Salet gave the invocation. A total of 12 members were in attendance. President Al announced he would have at the next meeting reservation forms for the Nov. 15 -17 Cabinet Meeting at Carmel.

Committee Reports

Y & C A Co-Chairman Aaron Straus reported letters went out to 11 participating groups Saturday. He further reported he has 5 Entertainment Books on hand for sale.

Even though it wasn't an official club report, Handford Clews was asked to tell of his recent trip to Paris, Spain and Portugal. He, Margot and Bob Menicucci departed here September 8th. It turned out to be a great trip uneffected by the events in the U.S. The golfing group, with which he was to meet, canceled their trip.

A letter to all Charity Raffle ticket purchasers went out last week. Included was a personalized response form. Apparently many of the letters and response forms weren't correctly collated. Club members should contact their respective ticket purchasers and ask these people to directly mail the response forms to the party named on the form.

No Convention Raffle took place. Mystery Lion Ward Donnelly named Charlie Stuhr as a victim.

Board Meeting

Attendance Chairman Ted Wildenradt reported member attendance for September was 36.3%

Aaron Straus had Scott Hauge at the meeting as his guest. Scott is in the insurance business and is a civic activist. He described to the club the formation of the United Way September 11th Fund, which is a drive organized by San Francisco's small businesses. Contributions will help provide for the emergency and long-term needs of the victims affected by the events of September 11th. Moreover, The United Way and New York Community Trust, and other participating organizations are underwriting all administrative costs. Contributions will count double because as of September 27th small business owners and their employees have pledged \$40,000 in matching funds to contributions. The board voted to contribute \$3,000 from the proceeds of the Charity Raffle to this fund. Interested parties may call Scott Hauge at (415) 680-2109 for more information.

SHORTS

Giulio & Donna Francesconi are presently in Italy. No fear of flying for these two brave souls.

The Lionettes will be having their annual luncheon Wednesday, October 17th at Bertolucci's Restaurant, 421 Cypress Ave., So. S.F. Cocktails 11:30, Luncheon 12:30. Choice of chicken breast or London broil. Cost \$23.50. Guests welcome. Contact Irene Tonelli at (650) 697-6869 or Emily Farrah at (650) 697-6359.

President AI Gentile has returned to his boat at Clear Lake for some more fishing.

White Cane Days are this coming weekend, October 6th & 7th.

Geneva-Mission Lions wish a speedy recovery to Region 1 Chairperson Jocelyn Mina who was recently injured in an automobile accident.

The 4-C4 Convention Committee is seeking Lions to be a part of the team. This is an opportunity to be a part of the inner workings of the convention. Contact PDG Mel Phillips at (650) 873-9166.

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

10/10 Donna Francesconi; 10/23 Handford Clews

COMING EVENTS

10/10 Lunch meeting; 10/15 Region 1 advisory meeting; 10/17 Program meeting, Lionette's luncheon; 11/16 - 17 2nd cabinet meeting at Carmel; 11/25 Charity Raffle Drawing