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October 9th Meeting

This lunch meeting was called to order by President Bob Fenech. Bob led in the Pledge to the Flag, and Joe Farrah gave the invocation. A total of 7 members were in attendance. Charlie Bottarini conducted the introductions. Burlingame Lions were supposed to be visiting G.-M. at this meeting but none appeared. President Bob announced that the S.F. Council Installation scheduled for October 5th was cancelled due to a lack of respondents.

Committee Reports

Charity Raffle Co-Chairman Charlie Bottarini reported 206 raffle tickets had been purchased to date. Charlie reminded members that the "Early Bird Drawing" will take place at the meeting of October 16th. He also reminded members that the club would be visiting the San Bruno Lions on the following Tuesday.

Lyle Workman announced the winners of the October 6th football pool game, but was detected in one of his rare errors regarding the winner of the 1st quarter. Ron Addy had the winning numbers 0 and 3.

Program

Member Ernest "Chuck" Ayala was in attendance to give a presentation on Centro Latino de San Francisco, Inc., of which he is a co-founder and current president. Chuck is also a commissioner with the California Commission on Aging. Another title he now has is this club's Coordinator of Senior Activities. Centro Latino is located at 1656 15th St., and its primary focus during these past years has been the provision of nutritious, Latino style-meals for seniors. It has grown into a full-service community center providing a wide-range of life-sustaining and enrichment services for 2,300 low-income multi-ethnic seniors, immigrants, and families. They are in immediate need of vans costing \$45,000 each, and they must raise 20% of the total cost. Chuck asked the club to give this need the club's consideration. He also informed the club Centro Latino will be celebrating its 30th Anniversary on November 15th at the Crowne Plaza Union Square Hotel.

Mystery Lion Lyle Workman pointed to Chuck Ayala as a non-hand shaker.

October 16th Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Bob Fenech. Pledge to the Flag was led by Bob Fenech, and Bill Graziano gave the invocation. A total of 12 members were in attendance. Al Gentile conducted introductions, and bypassed the fact Lyle Workman was wearing a necktie for two meetings in a row. Bob Lawhon introduced as his guest his brother Mike Lawhon. Mike is a casino host at the Fiesta Hotel & Casino in Henderson, Nevada, a short distance from Las Vegas. Mike is going to talk to Bob about arranging a club junket to The Fiesta. Mahendra Dave introduced as his guest Lion Sheriar K. Irani from the Chembur Lions Club in Bombay, India. Sheriar is a pharmacist now residing in this area, and would like to transfer to the Geneva-Mission Lions. Welcome, Lion Sheriar. He presented to President Bob a Lions pin from India featuring a "Happy Lion." Al Gentile hosted the members to wine - - probably in anticipation of winning the "Early Bird Drawing," which took place later in the meeting. This drawing entitles him to another \$100 ticket free in the Giulio Francesconi Charity Raffle. President Bob reminded the members that the district governor and

her cabinet will be making their annual official visit to this club at the next meeting. For this reason, the Board Meeting will take place at the lunch meeting of November 13th. Bob announced that the MD-4 Convention will take place in Reno February 7 - 9. Secretary Ward has registration forms for this event.

Committee Reports

Visitation Chairman Charlie Bottarini reported he will re-schedule this club's visit to the San Bruno Lions for their dinner-meeting at the 16 Mile House Restaurant in Millbrae at 7 P.M. on Tuesday, November 19th. He further reported the So. San Francisco Lions desires to visit this club.

Dick Johnson reported he enjoyed the St. Luke's Hospital Foundation Golf Tournament at Lake Merced, in which he took part October 14th. He was given three golf balls, some golf tees, and a T-shirt with a sponsors logo on it. Coincidentally, his cart companion turned out to be West Portal oral surgeon Dean Duncan, who extracted Dick's wisdom tooth some time ago.

Charity Raffle Co-Chairman Al Gentile reported a total of 223 raffle tickets have been sold/purchased to date. Members are urged to keep seeking new purchasers.

Bob Lawhon circulated a cute "Jeepers Creepers/We Need Your Peepers" door hanger a St. Gabriel's parishoner will be hanging on doors announcing she and her team will be coming around on Haloween "Sight Night" to collect used eyeglasses for re-cycling. Bob also circulated for the club's information donation receipts for wireless telephones collected by Lions Clubs and The Wireless Foundation to benefit victims oif domestic violence.

The team of Graziano/Gentile came up with a \$4-winning white golf ball in the Convention Raffle. Absent Larry Farrell missed out on \$2 in the Attendance Drawing. Mystery Lion Lyle Workman had no victims.

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

10/23 Handford Clews; 11/1 Lyle & Linda Workman; 11/6 Linda Workman; 11/10 Marilyn Kerr; 11/11 Gino Benetti, Lyle Workman

COMING EVENTS

11/2 Foster City abalone feed; 11/6 Visit Daly City Lions; 11/6 Governor's visit; 11/13 Board lunch meeting; 11/15-16 2nd Cabinet Meeting; 11/19 Visit San Bruno Lions; 11/20 49er Night at Bertolucci's; 11/24 Charity Raffle drawing