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October 13th Meeting

This lunch meeting was called to order by President Bob Lawhon. Pledge to the Flag was led by Lyle Workman, and Al Gentile gave the invocation. A total of only 4 members were in attendance. President Bob reported the Excelsior Festival was a great time. Aaron Straus staffed this club's booth in the morning and George Salet in the afternoon. The Balboa Alumni ladies who shared this club's booth were fun to work with. Bob circulated and connected with St. Elizabeth's, St. Finn Barr, Ocean Ave. Presbyterian Church and the Family School, and learned they would all like to participate in the sales of Y & C A raffle tickets. Bill Graziano will assist Dick Johnson in this area. Thanks to Aaron Straus for his work and design of the club's ad in the Excelsior Business Directory. Lyle Workman is the winner of the "Early Bird Drawing" in the Charity Raffle.

Program

Mary Fryer from St. Mary's Adult Day Health Care updated the club on the center's program. They support 70 clients a day making a difference in their lives. They provide a doctor, diet, pharmacy and other services. They assist clients 70 to 90 years of age with motion, meds, activity, depression, and try to treat the whole person. They are proactive with picking up people from their homes and referring them to services they need. There is a lot of elder abuse in our area and they work with the police to assist client/victims. Geneva-Mission Lions is proud to be contributing to the support of this program.

October 20th meeting

This was the annual 49er Night, which took place in the Terrace Room of the Cliff House. Pledge to the Flag was led by George Salet, and Bill Graziano gave the invocation. A total of 34 members, ladies and guests were in attendance. Bob Lawhon's two guests were Don & Gloria Watson, both past-presidents of the Union City L.C. 49er Cheerleaders Wendy and Kristen were there in costume to be photographed with everyone, handout 49er keychains, sign calendars and look good. As always, they are classy ladies. Wendy works at UCSF and Kristen with SBC. The speaker was Steve Risser from the community affairs department of the Niners. He is 23 years old and just graduated from Cal State Hayward. He has been with the Niners for three years. He spoke about all the various charity and community projects that the Niners do and passed out a large booklet depicting the various projects. He indicated he would like to attend our Crab Feed and help us with 49ers stuff in our raffle.

Everybody seemed pleased with the great dinner and location. Thanks to members for bringing guests and being supportive.

November 3rd Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Bob Lawhon. Al Gentile led in the Pledge to the Flag, and Bre Martinez gave the invocation. A total of 14 members were in attendance. Dick Johnson and big football pool winner Al Gentile hosted for wine. President Bob announced that judging of the club's Peace Poster Contest will take place at the next meeting. After discussion and recommendations, a decision was announced to

have the club's Holiday dinner-party at Ristorante Mare in Pacifica on Wednesday, December 8th. Al Gentile will be making the reservation there.

Secretary Bre read letters of gratitude from the National Association of the Visually Handicapped, Supervisor Gerardo Sandoval and Mary Fryer of St. Mary's Adult Health Care.

Committee Reports

Charity Raffle Co-Chairman Dick Johnson reported he has cash in hand for the purchases of 215 to 220 raffle tickets. Sales at this time should be better. He brought to the club's attention the fact that at least 30 new buyers have to be found to make up for attrition. Dick asked for help in the Y & C A raffle ticket project so Aaron Straus volunteered to distribute the books of tickets amongst the club members and Bre Martinez volunteered to do the same with outside groups.

Aaron Straus reported he has 10 S.F./San Mateo Entertainment Books available. The club has sold/purchased \$715 worth of these books to date. Aaron further reported the club will be serving Thanksgiving Lunch at the Mission Educational Center on Wednesday, November 24th. Bodies are needed there no later than 10:30 A.M. that day to serve 150 students.

Attendance Chairman Ward Donnelly reported attendance for the month of October was 41%.

Charlie Bottarini and Al Gentile conducted the Convention Raffle. Bob Lawhon drew a winning ticket held by Farrah & Gentile. Joe came up with only a \$2-winning white golf ball. Charlie Bottarini won \$2 in the Attendance Drawing. Mystery Lion Ward Donnelly pointed to Lyle Workman and Bre Martinez as victims.

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

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

COMING EVENTS

11/10 Lunch meeting; 11/12 - 13 Cabinet Meeting at Carmel; 11/17 Program meeting; 11/21 Charity Raffle; 11/24 Mission Ed Center; 12/8 Club Xmas Party; 4/20 - 4/24/05 District Convention

SHORTS

Bob Fenech is recovering from knee replacement surgery.

Handford & Margo Clews recently did eight days on the Island of Hawaii.

Joe & Emily Farrah sailed with a large Balboa Alumni group on a ten-day cruise to Puerto Vallarta. Other locals on the cruise were Tosca Bulleri, Carla Pardini, Elsie Tonelli, Joe Sangiacomo, Frank Harrison, Jr., and Jean & Yolanda Gorostiague.