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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Marty Petrini

Last Friday evening I was channel surfing on my new HDTV. What an incredible difference these new televisions make. Not just in high definition video, but also in sound. On channel 71, I came across this musical benefit. Sting was doing an acoustical version of "Driven to Tears". Wow, this sounds really good I thought. The show kept getting better. I don't remember all the artists, but Sting was followed by the likes of Kid Rock, Shania Twain, Eddy Matthews, Neil Young, Jay-Z, Beyonce, Brianna and Madonna. What a concert. I didn't know at the time, but I was watching a fund raiser called "Help for Haiti". Clint Eastwood and Mark Wahlberg said a few words about helping these unfortunate people who just endured a major earthquake and many aftershocks. The photos they showed were graphic and most of the videos were of piles of rubble and crumbled up buildings. But not all the footage was depressing. Some of the footage showed hundreds of American military personnel helping out. Some were passing out food and supplies, others were digging through the rubble and pulling out live adults and children who had been trapped for days. A large U.S. Naval ship was stationed nearby which was being used as a floating hospital accommodation for up to one thousand people at a time. Watching this show made me proud to be an American. This television show was made possible by George Clooney with the help of Drew Barrymore and many others. There were many famous people answering the phone lines including Steven Spielberg and Stevie Wonder. The phones kept ringing, and people kept pledging money to help the Haitians. Then the cameras focused on a man sitting in a chair on stage, with another man standing by his side. The man in the chair was Muhammad Ali, and the man standing next to him was comedian Chris Rock. Chris Rock wasn't making any attempt at being funny. Instead he was reading some words which were written by Muhammad Ali because Mr. Ali's health condition has left him speechless, but not without words. The words that Chris Rock was reading were heart felt and to the point. One quote I will never forget sounded something like this, "Yes, it's true that charity starts at home, but it doesn't have to end there." I hope that most of you saw this show and experienced the same feelings that I did. We really live in a great country! And we are surrounded by some beautiful and caring people. It's amazing what can happen when so many good people with the same goal work together. If you did not get a chance to contribute to the Haitians, it's not too late. You can still contribute by sending a text message on your cell phone to 90999. Each time you call, ten dollars will be sent to Haiti and charged to your phone bill.

Nothing is ever lost by courtesy. It is the cheapest of pleasures, costs nothing, and conveys much. It pleases him or her who gives and receives and thus, like mercy, is twice blessed.

PIER REPORT

By Christopher Badouin

Well my friends, can you believe a new decade is upon us? And with the new I hoped for some fresh fishing stories. But, unfortunately, that has not been the case. Fishing on our beloved pier has been slow starting from the get-go. Even with our annual New Year's Day derby, the bite was non-existent. Matter of fact, so poor was the bite that a bullhead and perch won the big money! (Be sure to read Glen's article for all the details). With that being said, let me drag out my beloved soap box. I need to dust this baby off, I haven't used this one in awhile.

We lost a great lady this month. Debbie, a fantastic lady who ran Leonard's Bait along with her hubby Joel, was taken from us suddenly and without warning. If you knew her she was always good for a smile. Always dressed in pink from tiniest item all the way down to her pink fishing pole. Whether she was at Western Sport shop or the Bait shop, she could talk fishing with the best of them and not miss a beat. But most of all, the caring for the people around her. And not to forget the incredible help given to us for Kid's Day both past and present. Funny thing is I talked with her days before she was gone, but I can never finish the laughs we had or even the conversations we started. But most of all I can't say goodbye. It saddens me the things we take for granted. Like the person sitting next to you as you read my rant. Or that there will be a tomorrow to go fishing. STOP, take a second, and tell the person next to you that you love them or even pick up the phone. Not because my blabbing rant says so but because right this second...you can - God speed Debbie.

2010 Dues

must be paid before March 31, 2010

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\$50.00 - Late Fee if Applicable
\$ _____ - Additional Voluntary Contribution

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Members who joined October, November or December 2009 are paid through December 31, 2010. - DO NOT DESTROY YOUR CURRENT CARD.

Dated: _____ Signature _____

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**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
THIRD THURSDAY at 7 pm
REFRESHMENTS
ARE SERVED AFTER THE MEETING**

The views expressed in this newsletter are those of the author and not necessarily those of the Membership

Gun Notes From Here & There

By Fielding Greaves

Supreme Court (SCOTUS) oral arguments are scheduled for Jan. 20 in McDonald v. Chicago, the case we hope will be a landmark case incorporating the Second Amendment into the 14th and thus become law in ALL states, not just in jurisdictions within the DC Federal Appeals Court district, as decided in DC v. Heller.

Potential for trashing US Constitution? Sect. of State H. Clinton has agreed to the 2012 scheduled UN conference, a worldwide ban on privately-owner firearms. For us the stakes could not be higher. Hillary is a known chronically infected and carrier of the dread anti-gun virus, and will be among an overwhelming number of her fellow infected UN participants. Former UN Ambassador John Bolton has warned gun owners that the UN "is trying to act as though this [the Arms Trade Treaty] is really just about international arms trades between nation states, but there's no doubt that the real agenda is domestic firearms control." It's the deadly first step toward UN (and Hillary's) plans for total gun confiscation.

Any UN Treaty that Hillary or her boss sign, to be effective, must be ratified by the Senate, all the more vitally important reason to vote anti-gun senators out of office.

Word for the Day

"Do you care about freedom? Dreams may have inspired it, and wishes promoted it, but only war and weapons have made it yours." Robert Ardrey, African Genesis.

INSURANCE

Anyone who uses their personal vehicle for club business (Costco, Smart & Final, etc.) needs to provide proof of auto insurance with the minimum coverage at 100/300/50 to the club insurance chair, Lillian Bracken. Please submit a copy of your declarations page or Certificate of Insurance to the office ASAP. Questions? Leave a message for Lillian at (415) 456-3123.

2009 ANNUAL FISH DERBY RESULTS

Halibut - 32 entries

1 st place	Mike Kozak	19.15 lbs
2 nd place	Dan Vasquez	14 lbs
3 rd place	Dennis Williams	10.11 lbs

Stripped Bass - 31 entries

1 st place	John Chiovarou	6.5 lbs
2 nd place	Jim Brainerd	4.8 lbs
3 rd place	Mike Kozak	4.3 lbs

**Since no sturgeon were caught, \$115 will be rolled over for 2010

[all fish are caught off the club pier]

Membership Applications are available at the bar. The cost of \$150 includes the initiation fee of \$75 plus \$75 for current year dues.

FEBRUARY 2010

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Third THURSDAY at 7 pm

All Members & Guests Welcome

Don't Forget!!!

Refreshments Served After the Meeting!!!

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

6:30 pm, First Tuesday of the Month

All Members Welcome

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8 am to 12 noon

Tickets \$8 for adults

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Choice of Ham, Bacon or Sausage
or combo of above

Eggs, Potatoes, Toast

Pancakes-Fresh Fruit or Original Style

Orange Juice, Coffee

Club bar open for refreshments

Louis Huerto-Rojo & Bill George, Co-chairs

Next Breakfast - March 21

DINNER/ VARIETY SHOW II APRIL 24th

TICKETS - \$25

with UNAUTHORIZED ROLLING STONES

5:30-6:30 Hors d'oeuvres

6:30-7:30 Cajun Style Dinner

w/Chef Scott Gillespie

7:30-8:00 Dessert, Special Guest Hosts

8:00-10:00 Music and Dancing

Tickets available at the Bar

Get yours early

THIS SHOW WILL SELL OUT!!!

NEW MEMBERS

Giulietta Camiccia-Camden

Erlinda Santos, Tyler Fields

Beverly Panelli, Doug Lathrop

Donald Agnew

IN MEMORIAM

Our condolences to the families
of Members who have passed away:

Ed Alveraz

SUPERBOWL

February 7th

TICKETS - \$10

Hors d'oeuvres, Finger Food

Nibbles, Chips & Dips, etc.

Available

ALL AFTERNOON

LONG and

THROUGHOUT THE

GAME

Tad Alvord, Chair

CRAB FEED

February 13th

TICKETS - \$40

DJ

Music from 7:30 to 11:30

Tom Alioto & Laura Lentini, Co-Chairs

MARCH FAMILY BRUNCH

SUNDAY, MARCH 7

10 am to 2 pm

TICKETS - \$10

Bring the Kids!

(Age 5-9, \$5; Under 5, Free)

Chicken Fried Steak

Eggs Cooked to Order

Sausage, Bacon, Biscuits & Gravy

Pancakes, Toast, Bagels

Cereal, Oatmeal, Pastries

Coffee, Hot Chocolate, Juices

No Host Bar

ADVANCED TICKETS

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Tad Alvord, Bob DeWalt, Don Boslar, co-hosts

FINGER FOOD FRIDAYS

Join us at the club on Fridays between 4:00 and 6:00
for a casual get-together. Feel free to bring one of
your favorite appetizers to share. Meet old friends
and make new ones.

Clip and Save - 2010

Feb. 7.....SuperBowl
Feb. 13.....Crab Feed
Feb. 21.....Breakfast
Mar. 7.....March Family Brunch
Mar. 13.....Men's Night Out
Mar. 21.....Breakfast
Apr. 18.....Breakfast
Apr. 24.....Dinner Variety Show II
May 9.....Mother's Day Brunch
May 16.....Breakfast

Men's Night Out

March 13th

TICKETS - \$40

6pm - No Host Cocktails

7 pm - Dinner

Co-Chairs Tom Alioto, John Reuther

Tom Murtha & Tim Price

NEW YEAR'S DAY 2010 FISH DERBY

OLD ED blew the whistle at 10 am on January 1,
2010, and 43 fishermen threw in their lines in hopes
of catching the biggest and most fish for the
ANNUAL NEW YEAR'S DAY FISH DERBY.
Out of 43 anglers only two fish were caught. The
biggest fish was caught by DOC EVANS who
pulled in an 8 ½ pound - I mean an 8 ½ inch perch.
He split the derby money for the most fish with
LENNY who struggled for almost 20 minutes with
a 5 inch bullhead. Still, everybody seemed to have
a good time with bloody mary's and a lot of food.
Young BILLY SHEEHAN won the plastic fish
award for the 3rd year in a row by pulling in not
only a rubber orca but also a plastic mackerel! He
did it alone too. Since DOC EVANS and LENNY
were members of the WILD BUNCH, the WILD
BILL TROPHY was awarded to their team again.
Other teams included THE FISHING FOOLS, THE
HEAVY HOOKERS, THE SMELT KINGS and
THE SHARKS.

After the derby everyone retired to the clubhouse
where JIM TYLMAN was good enough to be a
volunteer bartender for everybody. Thanks too to
TAD and BARBARA and their group for making
all that hot food which was really appreciated since
the weather was a bit on the cool side. In addition,
congratulations to TOKYO TOM for barely beating
out RUSS in the annual Texas Hold em tournament.
By barely, I mean he took all of RUSS' chips. Way
to start the year RUSS. In a final note, the annual
derby just wasn't the same without at least one the
CAMICCIA brothers on hand. We sorely missed
their expertise and wit. So sharpen those hooks for
this coming year which is going to be fantastic
since the pier is starting to look great thanks to all
the efforts of the members who are part of the PIER
REPAIR GROUP. And we'll see you next year for
the 2011 derby.

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