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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Marty Petrini

My mother was always full of good advice. She once told me that if you have nothing good to say, don't say it. Vaughn Scott, head singer for AC/DC said it differently in "Highway to Hell". He sang "Loose lips, sink ships". Sometimes things are said in the heat of the moment and then later regretted. Most of the time it's best to chill out for awhile and think about what you want to say, instead of blurting out something that you didn't really mean. I've heard a lot of stuff lately. A lot more than usual. I've been trying to come to some reasonable idea about why people say things all in the same general time frame.

Complaints about someone or something or so and so said this about you. I thought maybe it was because there was a full moon, but that's not it. While I was out in the country working in the vineyard it hit me. I think I know why everyone who's complaining have been complaining all at the same time. How obvious. It's Lent. Most of these people gave something up for Lent. Something that they really appreciated and are now having trouble doing without. Giving something up that you are used to having every day can make the best of us edgy. I talked to a lot of people about what they gave up for Lent. Most said sweets or alcohol. They probably should have just given up eating brussels sprouts or broccoli. Ever hear of anyone getting withdrawals from giving up spinach or cauliflower? I look forward to Easter when most everyone can feel absolved with their accomplishment and start indulging and drinking again. Joe Huizar reminded us all at the last general membership meeting that "When we joined this club, we all swore an oath to prevent dissension". Thanks, Joe. Some of us really need to be reminded from time to time.

Joe was nice enough to step up to chair our Cinco De Mayo party coming up Wednesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>. Hope you all can make it.

If you missed Men's Night Out, March 13<sup>th</sup>, you missed an incredible evening of entertainment. Tom Alioto, our event chair, raised the bar just a bit for the next person who follows. Tom hired California Dream Girls. These fine young ladies did an incredible job and put on quite a show! Good job to all involved in making this party a huge success.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Steve McKeever who held their wedding at the clubhouse on Saturday. Steve, as you all know, has been the expert chef at many of our events over the years. Best Wishes to you both from all of us.

I would like to wish everyone a Happy Easter and Peace of Mind.

## PIER REPORT

By Christopher Badouin

Well my friends, in simple terms I can only say "wow". The weather has been outstanding and the fishing has been pretty darn nice. The stripers have been visiting our beloved pier making fun days for our anglers.

We should see the halibut arrive once the fresh water in the bay eases up. Wishfully not to long. I'm craving some halibut fish tacos. The fishing has slowed in the past several days but the sun is still shining and the pier looks fantastic, so come out and enjoy it!

With that being noted let me pull out my soap box and dust it off for the last time. I, with great honor, would like to let you know that Mike Kozak will be taking over the monthly fishing report. My time at our beloved club has become very limited from my busy schedule and I believe Mike will do a great job for you. I have truly enjoyed writing for you over the past couple years. My heart is warmed by the nice comments and the chance that maybe I placed a smile on your face. In closing...enjoy each day, tell the people you love that you love them and, for the last time...."Good Fishing".

### Pier Chairman Report

Well, spring is springing. Now maybe we can have some work parties if it doesn't rain. The goals for pier repair this year are: (1) Put in a new 12x12x14 foot beam at the square. (2) Fix the Finger pier out to the end. (3) Remove the structure out there and make a small T so there is room to cast out to the old pilings. Lots of stripers out there!! The fire damage at the square will require some new pilings, etc. This will cost money which we presently do not have. That is why we have a Save the Pier Fund. All donations will be gladly accepted and anything will be recognized with a plaque of some sort. Final details are not decided on this. The donation box is on the bar in the corner.

I would like to thank John Arruda and his pal Tony for building four new fishing shelters. I would also like to thank Tim Sharkey for keeping the bait refrigerator full and doing some painting of the shelters. Also, thanks to Tom Alioto for raising \$197.00 at the Crab Feed for the Pier Fund. We have a new pier keeper, Ryan Wright. He is going to be a great asset for us.

The pier is in good shape. Come on out and fish and work. John Evans, Pier Chair

*Things turn out best for people  
who make the best of the way  
things turn out.*

*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

In the SCOTUS oral arguments for McDonald v. Chicago, the SAF and NRA attorneys used both the "privileges and immunities" clause and the "due process" clause of the Fourteenth Amendment in making their case for overturning the Chicago handgun ban. They evaluate the chances for a decision favorable for gun owners as likely, based on questions and comments by the various justices during oral arguments.

The Firearms Coalition reports that the Washington State Supreme Court got the jump on SCOTUS by ruling that "the Second Amendment applies to the states via the Fourteenth Amendment Due Process clause."

The Army is in the early stages of testing a significant new 25mm squad shoulder-fired weapon system, says Army magazine. The XM-25 CDTE (Counter Defilade Target Engagement) system used 25mm munitions including, armor-piercing, anti-personnel, high-explosive air burst, less-than lethal, training and breaching rounds--giving the squad more power against point targets to 500 meters and area targets out to 700 meters, including plunging fire against enemy targets firing from behind rocks or walls.

Wyoming and Arizona both had a good shot at passage of Constitutional Carry bills this year, but both stalled in their state senates. Wyoming's bill did not survive, but Arizona's is being resurrected, according to the Firearms Coalition.

The Firearms Coalition reports that as of February 22, the ban on functional firearms in National Parks has been lifted and the laws of the state in which a park is located apply.

*"There is no such thing as a little freedom.  
Either you are all free or you are not free."*

*Walter Cronkite*

## GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

THIRD THURSDAY at 7 pm

REFRESHMENTS

ARE SERVED AFTER THE MEETING

April Menu:

*Ham, Macaroni & Cheese  
Green Bean Saute, Dessert*

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All Members & Guests Welcome

*Don't Forget!!!*

Refreshments Served After the Meeting!!!

*April's Menu.....*

*Ham, Macaroni & Cheese*

*Green Bean Saute, Dessert*

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

6:30 pm, First Tuesday of the Month

All Members Welcome

## NEW

**Breakfast by the Bay**

*Join Us For A*

**GREAT BREAKFAST**

*Terrific View*

**SUNDAY, APRIL 18**

(new starting time)

**9:30 am to 12 noon**

**Tickets - \$8**

(Age 5 to 9 - \$4; Under 5 - Free)

Ham, Bacon or Sausage

Eggs, Potatoes

Toast, Pancakes

Orange Juice, Coffee

*Plus a surprise item*

**No Host Bar**

Tad Alvord & Bob DeWalt with Chef "D"

May 16 - Brunch - 9:30 to 1

June 20 - Breakfast - 9:30 to 12

### 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.

### NEW MEMBERS

Kevin Buckholtz, Roger Domer

Philip Dunlap, Neal Gapoff

Bruce McGregor, Harold Phister

Romeo Ramos

### IN MEMORIAM

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

Theodore Cooke

## DINNER/

## VARIETY SHOW II

**APRIL 24<sup>th</sup>**

**TICKETS - \$25**

**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!!!**

## MAY FAMILY

## BRUNCH

**May 16**

**9:30 am to 1 pm**

**TICKETS - \$10**

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

Eggs Cooked to Order

Sausage, Bacon, Biscuits & Gravy

Pancakes, Toast, Bagels

Cereal, Oatmeal, Pastries

Coffee, Hot Chocolate, Juices

*Watch for a surprise addition*

*to the menu*

**No Host Bar**

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

## WESTERN BBQ

## DINNER/DANCE

**JUNE 26**

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### Clip and Save - 2010

Apr. 18.....Breakfast  
Apr. 24.....Dinner Variety Show II  
May 5.....(New).....Cinco de Mayo Dinner  
May 9.....Mother's Day Brunch  
May 16.....Family Brunch  
June 20....(Father's Day.....Breakfast  
June 26.....Western BBQ Dinner/Dance  
July 18.....Breakfast  
July 31.....Annual Picnic  
Aug. 15.....Family Brunch  
Sept. 6.....Ladies' Day on the Pier

## CINCO DE MAYO

**Wednesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>**

**Tickets - \$10**

**NO HOST COCKTAILS**

**Dinner - 6:30**

## MOTHER'S DAY

## BRUNCH

**MAY 9<sup>th</sup>**

Clubhouse open 9:30 am to 1 pm

**Breakfast Served**

**10 am to 12 noon**

**Tickets - \$15**

*available now*

**(Children under 8 - \$7)**

Well, it's MOTHER'S DAY coming up again. IRON CHEF STEVE McKEEVER has informed me that he and his zany crew of slicers, dicers and flippers are gearing up once more to serve the best MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH in the county. Weather permitting we'll set up some tables outside along with seating in the auditorium and the outer room. **Breakfast will be served buffet style from 10 am to noon.** Tickets available now at the bar. **ADULTS** will be \$15 and **CHILDREN** under eight will be \$7. Be sure to be on hand for a delightful morning of **BREAKFAST DINING** by the bay along with a full bar which will be serving fizzes, Bloody Mary's, cocktails of your choice, not to mention wine, sodas and draft or bottled beer. And the **CHAMPAGNE** will be flowing. **MADCAP McKEEVER** and his razor sharp team will be assembling and serving a fine array of egg dishes, sausage and ham, taters, fresh fruit, orange juice, coffee, and trays of cookies and sweets. So be prepared to come on out and enjoy the fun. Bring your mother; if you don't have one, we'll find you one. We aim to please!

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