

MINUTES OF THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED  
CLASSMATE MEETING OF MAY 20, 2010

Classmates present: **Rego, Farias, Corenevsky, Ornellas, Lyons, Botelho, B. Freitas, Lam, Perkins, Cruz, Paresa, Joy, Yee, Victor** (in from Michigan), **Sam**.

The meeting was held at the Maple Garden Chinese Restaurant, on Isenberg St., behind the SLAA Clubhouse. Classmates ordered food from the menu, and also ordered drinks from the bar. All present were provided some “new recipe” Bread Pudding (made by *Barbara Paresa*) (Mahalo – much, *Barbara!*)

The meeting started at 6:47 P.M.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** **Rego** reported that after the Oahu Venue of the 55<sup>th</sup> Reunion Anniversary Celebrations, our Kitty/Fund was now at **\$1,115.00**.

There was no prepared Agenda, so Chairman **Farias** started off the “formal” part of the meeting by going into OPEN FORUM proceedings.

First to address the group was **Botelho**. **Botelho** provided info sheets which related to the Golf Tournament, and an Income & Expense Report. These will be attachments to this e-mail send out to classmates. There were explanations and question answerings, and when **Botelho's** report had ended, the classmates and the Chairman complimented **Botelho** on his wonderful handling of the events and activities for the reunion's Oahu Venue. Many positive comments were made relative to the Golf Event, the USS Missouri -Pacific Aviation Museum - USS Arizona Memorial activities, and the Gala Dinner at the Sam Snead Restaurant. Great job **Rodney!**

Next to speak, was **Yee**. **Yee** provided to **Botelho**, a special edition montage of pictures taken by **Yee** during all of the activities. It was really nice and **Botelho** responded with gratitude and thanks.

Next was **Victor**. He related that he had a wonderful time at the reunion, and that we should “keep it up” (specifically addressed to the Core Group).

Now it was **Cruz's** turn. **Norman** said that he and his wife enjoyed the reunion “immensely”, and that we should “do it again” for our next reunion.

It was now **Lam's** turn. “**Sonny**” expressed his sorrow in not being able to attend the functions (he was in Europe), and asked that we “keep it up”.

And now **B. Freitas**. “**Barney**” said he was sorry about not attending the dinner, but that his wife *Deborah* was doing “OK”. Classmates asked if it would be OK to visit *Deborah*, and **Barney** responded in the affirmative.

Next was **Perkins**. “**Perk**” responded that he really liked the Golf Event and its' format. Said he had a great time!

Up next was **Lyons**. “**Mickey**” said that the Dinner was great, but that he had looked everywhere the evening of the Dinner, but was unable to find any of *Barbara Paresa's* Bread Pudding. Bumpers!

**Ornellas** was next. “**Joe**” said he was “sorry” for not attending, but that “something came up that he couldn't not take care of”.

**Rego's** turn. **George** said that he and his wife *Kathleen*, had a most enjoyable time at the Pearl Harbor Tours, and said that **Botelho** had done a “really good job”. He said that, on the USS Missouri Tour, that the

guide was very knowledgeable and interesting and his presentations were just great. **George** also related that the guide so impressed him that **George** was prepared to give this guide a “monetary tip”, but that the guide (who **George** thought was/is a military aviator – a Co-Pilot he thought) refused the “tip” and proposed that **George** instead, place his “offering” in to the appropriate “donation box”. **George** also praised the dinner and specifically said that the menu was “fantastic”. **Rego** was reported to be one of the “major consumers” of the oysters available from the Buffet Line.

Then, it was **Paresa's** turn. “**Louie**” reported that he and his wife *Barbara*, had a good time at the dinner. He said that he had around 11 oysters, but that “only one worked”. (Wonder what he meant by that?). “**Louie**” also reported that he had “signed out” **Michael Cathcart** from his Lunalillo Care Home, and taken **Mike** to an impromptu meeting at the **Farias** home in Aiea. **Cathcart** seemed to recognize everyone (other classmates) there at the **Farias** home, and many greetings and hugs were shared. Our classmate **Mike Cathcart** can be visited at the Lunalillo Care Home during the hours of 8:00 A.M. And 8:00 P.M. **Mike's** short term memory seems to be “fading” and he repeats himself a lot, but his long term memory seems to be just great.

George **Joy's** turn. **Joy** related that he enjoyed the golfing, but wasn't sure that J. **Burns** did. Then too, there seemed to be some “disparity” in the handicapping by **Botelho** (**Joy/Burns** team came in last). Anyway, he and his wife also enjoyed the dinner.

On to Gordon **Sam**. **Gordon** said that the meal was “great”; and congratulated **Botelho** for a “good job”.

Now **Corenevsky**. **George** said that he was “sorry” he and his wife couldn't attend. He also said that he had received many positive comments about all of the activities.

**Yee** (again). **Johnson** related that his wife was extremely happy that the “sailing event” was canceled, cause she has a problem with “motion sickness”. **Johnson** also reported that all-the-while as they were “touring” at the Pearl Harbor activities, that he noticed that the NEWLYWEDS (**Bruce** and *Phyllis Mann* – married only 7 months) were continuously holding hands (perhaps that was because *Phyllis* didn't want **Bruce** to get lost). Also, **Yee** explained that in one of the pictures taken aboard the USS Missouri, where he is seen holding/talking on the “Red Phone”, that it was a direct line to President Obama.

And finally, **Farias**. **Damien** again expressed his thanks and gratitude to **Botelho** for the great job in handling all of the Reunion activities. Then **Damien** reminded those present about the upcoming Golf Event, in June, at the Waialae Country Club. He also started “pumping up” the guys about attending the Las Vegas venue of our 55<sup>th</sup> Reunion Anniversary, starting on September 27<sup>th</sup> and continuing on through the 29<sup>th</sup>. He asked **Ornellas** if there was another planned Fine Dining Night, and got the response that “I'm working on it”.

The next scheduled Classmate meeting, will be held on July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010, at a place yet to be determined.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 P.M.