

Chum Line



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Otto's roast was a big success and everyone had a great time. I know Otto really enjoyed himself as I was watching him laugh so hard tears were coming down his cheeks. The speakers were great. My special thanks to Dr. Harold Goodman for putting on a great show. No one deserved to be honored more than Otto Painter.

The Santa Monica Bay restoration project has sent me a letter asking for proposals to educate the public in ways to clean up and restore Santa Monica Bay. They will fund the cost if our program is accepted. If anyone is interested please call me by July 12, 1993.

This month the Board of Directors will discuss if the club should belong as a group to United Anglers. If anyone has an opinion that you would like to discuss please call V.P. Joel Steinman. I will be out of town for that meeting. I fully support our club belonging to United Anglers.

The Kids' Trip looks like it's going to be a big success. We have the food, we have volunteers, the fishing gear is in great shape, and we are going to have a lot of fun. We also have 450 kids looking forward to a great day of fishing.

I would like to give a special thanks to Larry Edwards for his generous support of the Kids' Trip. I think we should support him when we can. He is a great guy.

I have talked to Bill Alpert about the King of the Calico Tournament. He told me that the first boat is full. He has some members who would like to still come and be on the second boat. The cost is \$110.00 and it includes free breakfast and lunch, beverages, fish cleaning, tips, and lots of prizes. Please give him a call and we will have a lot of fun. I predict that there might be a surprise winner.

We are still in need of new members. Please try to invite your friends to join us for fishing or at one of our meetings.

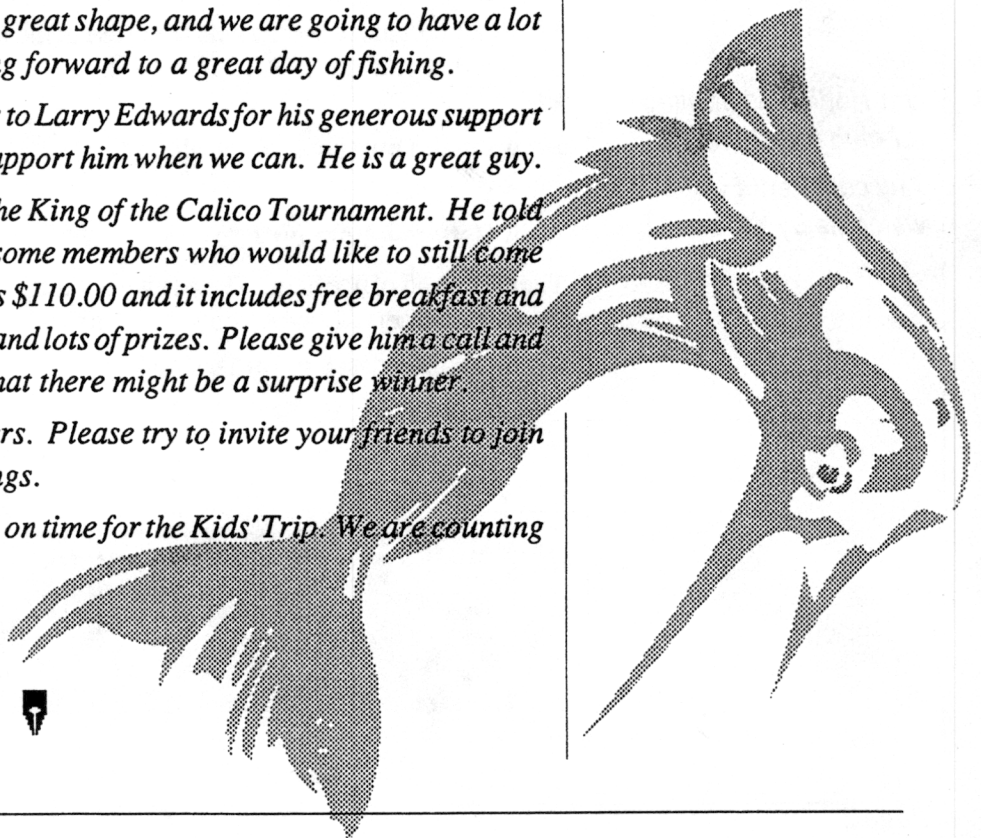
Attention all volunteers. Please be on time for the Kids' Trip. We are counting on you.

Norman Weinstock
El Presidente

Re: 5-DAY CLUB CHARTER

Rita Zide has announced that she cannot make it! We need one body to fill in. This is promising to be one of the best years in a decade. Tuna are presently just beyond range of the one day boats and its only June.

Call Eric NOW at
(310) 476-5936!



GUEST EDITORIALS

Club Matters—Charter Participation

In any organization you are bound to have a vast variety of priorities, levels of interest, economic considerations etc. where it pertains to charters.

This club runs charters for the benefit of its members so that they don't have to ride cattle boats and so that they may enjoy the camaraderie of their peers. These can be fun occasions even when we have a bad day.

Putting together any of our trips can be a chore for the chartermasters. We take a full load for granted but it doesn't always happen. Short loads imply a financial burden to the club.

It is our suggestion that those of you gentlemen (?) who like to charter outside of club trips or not patronize them at all are not participating in one of our major objectives.

This is not to suggest that you should not engage in extra-club activities—maybe your time schedule didn't permit club trips this year—but that you should schedule some of your fishing time, and money, with the club.

Do we make ourselves understood?

Club Matters—Advertising

With the mailing of the June *Chum Line* you probably noticed the first paid ads. The current *Chum Line* is, at least in part, professionally produced and any ads we get offset additional expenses.

Advertisers are not dummies....they expect some cluck for their bucks. So here's the message.

Try to support those people who advertise in the *Chum Line* with your business. Mention the fact that you are LARRC members. If we don't do this we cannot expect to get the ads.

Do we make ourselves understood?

Club Matters—More on Ads

There is no ad office here. The ads we get must be solicited by club members. Even the one or two liners. Maybe you have some rods or reels to sell! We need the business.

Do we make ourselves understood?

Lad Rubaum, MD and esteemed club member! LARRC thanks you for your maintenance and delivery of our mail list. We owe you one....

Ivor Hodis has applied for club membership. Any comments will be welcome by the board.

Chum Line Contributors This Month Were:

William Alpert, Larry Edwards, Harold Goodman

THANKS PEOPLE!

LETTERS TO LARRC

To: Members LARRC
From: William Alpert, Calico Bass Guru

I appreciated having the opportunity of having you guys as interested listeners during my Calico Bass session. I would now like to follow up with a few general suggestions that will also enhance your success.

Be an observant fisherman! When you get on the boat ask the deck hand or skipper what worked yesterday. Was it bait and if so what types? Did artificials work? What kind and color of jigs worked best? Which type of plastics worked best? What colors? What were the conditions?

The answers to these questions will get you started in the right direction.

Once the fishing has started, pay close attention to those anglers catching more than you. What are they doing differently? What type of bait, hooks, line, sinkers, lures. Be flexible and accomodate to differing conditions.

Watch the ocean conditions! Where is the kelp in relationship to the stern of the boat? Where is the structure that the skipper is anchored on? If fish seem to be caught in one area only, take note of landmarks so that you can cast to the correct spot regardless of how the boat swings on the anchor.

Watch for boils and bird activity. When fishing with jigs cast beyond the active spots and reel through them. With plastics you can cast on the spot, put your reel in gear and be alert.

Being attentive to the above should improve your fishing results.

To: Members LARRC
From: Larry Edwards, Cortez Charters

June 11th saw the first yellowfin tuna taken on a one-day boat out of San Diego. The Trilene Big Game was 88 miles out of San Diego when the 25 lb. fish hit a trolled lure in 65° water. Several boats have reported breaking fish, many of which were blue fin tuna. This is one of the earliest harbingers of tuna sightings on record and may indicate an earlier than usual tuna season. Stay tuned!



Bob Fletcher, President of the Sportfishing Assn. of California, said that when Bill Stephens took three friends out on his 54 foot Osprey six-pack charter boat on a three-day trip south, scouting for albacore last weekend, they found ideal water at 63 degrees but no albacore.

Instead, continuing into warmer water 90 to 95 miles south of San Diego, they found eight bluefin tuna 30-55 pounds and five yellowfin 25-35 pounds, along with two dorado and two yellowtail.

"It's all very promising," Fletcher said. "It looks like something may be taking off before too long."

Source: LA Times 6/23/93

GOODWILL & CHEER

LARRC is sad to report the passing of Jerry Katz a former president of the club. Skipper Jim Easley of the "Stardust" volunteered his boat for the scattering of ashes off Ventura on 6/16/93. Attendees were son Harold, daughter Lillian and club members Michi Marshall, Alan Mannheim, Bill Vogel, Marty Laskowitz, Dan Fink and Earl Warren. Flowers were offered to the ocean Jerry loved and Dan Fink dedicated a special "Eagle Claw" hat.

LARRC Sends Get Well Notices

To...Brad Felger recovering from sinus surgery.

To...Alan Schiff recuperating from an apnea condition.

To...Howard Weinberger on the mend after prostate surgery.

MORE LETTERS

To the Editor,

Sir, since your current president refuses to take my calls, I have no recourse other than to come to you.

You may recall that the former difficult president and his board offered to settle my eighty-four dollar claim for overdue bills by a gradual reduction in the form of fines at the dinner meetings. I reluctantly agreed to this arrangement as something is better than nothing. It develops that I am fined five dollars per meeting whether I open my mouth or not. The standard fine is one dollar or, two at most. Why your current president singles me out for five dollar fines is a mystery.

Sir, it occurs to me that the other members get one raffle ticket per one dollar fine. I have never received a raffle ticket and we are now talking about \$30.00 worth of fines since this policy was instituted. Am I not entitled to thirty-six raffle tickets considering that a bonus of one is presented as a premium to the five dollar purchaser?

I don't know how your organization is run but if you people have any sense of decency this problem should be rectified at your next board meeting.

It seems to me that this makes utter good sense. Tell me if I'm wrong.

H. Goodman

Good friend and club member Dave Wende and family are moving to Ft. Worth. Good luck to you! We'll miss you.

Randy Sharon will be handling dinner affairs at Andre's.

Rumor has it that San Diego sportfishing landings and boats may soon begin to provide information in categories of catch and release. Already, H&M LANDING offers a 10% discount for any charter group that releases 90% of their catch.

Source: Larry Edwards

Too Many Cabo Marlin Killed....

I just returned from a week of fishing in Cabo San Lucas and must report that the catch-and-release ethic there is a hope existing only in the minds of sportsmen. Each day 40 or 50 charter boats work the waters for striped marlin. As the fish are fought to the boat, the tourist-anglers are coaxed to have the fish mounted—and the catch is quickly gaffed, clubbed, and tied off to the transom. At the dock the fish is weighed and measured, and a deposit is taken. The tourist walks away in euphoria, convinced that his fish will be mounted. What the tourist didn't see was that the marlin was dragged behind a building and quickly filleted. The racks pile up in the

sun. This occurred on a daily basis. Although most boats have catch-and-release stickers on their cabins, these seem to be only for show.

There are currently two Japanese long-line boats working the area, and one reportedly brought in a catch of 70 tons of billfish recently. All the locals I spoke with said that fishing is not what it used to be. If the Mexicans do not get their act together in both the commercial and sport sectors, the future of the marlin fishery there is bleak indeed.


Source: Letter to Salt Water Sportsman 6/93

Saturday Charters

Sherwood Kingsley is making a super effort to revive the Saturday Charters, a tradition of LARRC.

Sherwood has located a new boat, the *Star Dust*, that Jimmy Easley is skippering out of Ventura Sport Fishing. The boat is licensed to carry fifty passengers, and we will be taking a limited load of 20. The tentative price is \$70.00 for a great day of fishing!

The tentative dates we have chartered are August 21, Sept. 18, October 16, November 13, and December 18. Before we commit to these dates, the Board of Directors wants to know if there is sufficient interest in these charters.

Please call Sherwood Kingsley at (310) 558-3777 and let him know the Saturday dates you want to fish. 

Fish Endangered In Japanese and American Rivers

Of 30,000 rivers in Japan, only three are now free-flowing. One of these, the Nagara, which flows through central Japan and into the Pacific Ocean, is about to lose its freedom—and potentially much of its fauna—due to the construction of a massive dam. Most at risk, scientists say, is the endangered Satsukimasu salmon (*Oncorhynchus Ishikawai*), which needs free access to the river's upper reaches to spawn. The Nagara River dam is scheduled to be completed by 1995 at a total cost of \$1.5 billion....

Source: *Calypso Log June 1993* 

BIRTHDAY BOYS FOR JULY

This month we are overloaded with lawyers, CPAs and gentlemen suffering hair loss. One will tow your car anywhere in Southern California and hold it hostage. Another is covered with frightening tatoos and I could name another who gave me coupons for two free orders of french fries at any participating McDonald's restaurant in exchange for thirty-five pounds of king salmon fillets which I lugged back, chilled, from Alaska.
—H.G.

Pick out your favorites and wish them a Happy Birthday



Alan Shepard

Joel Steinman

Mooney Goldfarb

Goody Epstein

Chuck Hirshman

Bill Stein

Bill Adams

Dave Neufeld

Larry Edwards

Alan Fields

Sherwood Kingsley

Joe Palty

John Reitman

The 836-pound blue marlin—largest of the season in Baja—taken by Keven Fitzgerald of Brea recently was found to have a 2 3/4-inch long-line hook in its bill, says Larry Edwards of Cortez Yacht Charters. Commercial long-lining is illegal in Baja waters. However, it's uncertain where the fish collected the hook. Dan Fink of Eagle Claw hooks says a typical hook will dissolve in a week or less, but, Edwards said, "Marlin can travel a long distance in a week—1,500 miles easily."

Source: LA Times, 5/12/93

ELIMINATE

U.S. agency financing long-liners: According to a report in Costa Rica's English-language newspaper, the *Tico Times*, much of the funding for the country's modernized and expanded commercial fishing fleet has come from the United States Agency for International Development (AID). As a result of this help from American taxpayers, long-lining for billfish has been stepped up. And guess where the long-liners are finding a ready market? You've got it—the United States.

Source: SWS 7/93 

Survey indicates Atlantic marlin abundance at all-time low: According to the National Marine Fisheries Service Recreational Billfish Survey, the populations of Atlantic blue and white marlin are at an all-time low. The hook-up per unit of effort rate for 1992, based on dockside interviews, equals the historic low rate set in 1978 at the height of foreign tuna long-lining in the Gulf of Mexico. Hook-up rates for white marlin dropped to the lowest point in the 21-year history of the survey. The NMFS notes that, with few exceptions, hook-up rates for all billfish have declined each year since 1980 and places the blame on "factors other than recreational fishing mortality."

Source: SWS 7/93 

CALENDAR

LARRC OTHER EVENTS

Meetings

	Dinner Meetings	Board Meetings
Jul.	26	19
Aug.	30	23
Sep.	27	20
Oct.	25	18
Nov.	29	22
Dec.	None	13
Jan.	31, 1994	24, 1994
Feb.		7, 1994

Annual Kids' Trip

July 12 (Monday)
LARRC Annual Kids' Trip - LA Harbor -

LARRC CHARTERS

Long Range Trips

Sept. 8 - 13
LARRC Annual Long Range Trip
- Qualifier 105

Tournaments

Sept. 22 (Wednesday)
1993 King of the Calicos Tournament
Sea Hawk in Santa Barbara
(See details below)

July 24-25

Charity Benefit Calico Tournament
Sponsor: Kiwanis Club of Ventura
Information: Jerry Dunn
805/644-8989

LAARC DINNER MEETING

Monday, July 26

Andre's Restaurant

8635 Wilshire Blvd.

Cocktails: 6:00 PM

Dinner: 7:00 PM



The Dinner Hot Line number is:
818/710-7701
USE IT!

JULY BOARD MEETING

DATE: July 14

PLACE: Joel Steinman's
5826 Ostrom Ave.
Encino, CA 91316
Ofc.: 818/990-1423
Hm.: 818/987-2645

TIME: 6:30 PM

MEETING: 7:00 PM

(Coffee and Cookies Only)

William Boyce, underwater photographer and Marine Biologist will be our featured guest at the July 26th club meeting. An employee of the NMFS (National Marine Fisheries Service), he was able to enter tropical waters and photograph tuna and dolphin in the wild. He often finds himself in nets with tons of tuna swirling about. Mr. Boyce should be a guest with exceptional qualifications. Thanks for lining this up Joel Steinman!

King of the Calico Tournament

The tournament scheduled for 9/22 is full. The players are: Bill Alpert, Dave Neufeld, Dan Felger, Mike Grossman, Norm Weinstock, Marty Laskowitz, Randy Sharon, Marvin Smith, Alan Fields, Joel Steinman, Bob Selvin, Jay Lash as well as new members Richard and Michael Lapidus. If you are interested in being an alternate call Bill or Dave. Possibly, with enough interest we might add a second boat. This is your club, get involved!

**1993 TROPHY CONTENDERS
AS OF JUNE 30, 1993**

SPECIES	LINE TEST	ANGLER	LB	OZ
LOCAL WATERS				
White Sea Bass	12	Max Wunderman	8	0
White Sea Bass	16	Abe Cohen	26	0
Yellowtail	30	Dan Felger	25	0
FOREIGN WATERS				
Halibut	16	Dan Felger	30	12
Halibut	30	Dan Felger	51	0
Ling Cod	12	Eric Rogger	21	8*
Salmon, King	12	Dan Felger	29	0
Salmon, King	16	Dan Felger	20	0
Tuna, Yellowfin	50	Joel Steinman	69	7
Tuna, Yellowfin	130	Gerald Steinberg	227	13
Wahoo	50	Joel Steinman	43	2
Yellowtail	30	Gerald Steinberg	37	4
FRESH WATER				
Striped Bass	4	Barry Taper	7	10*
Trout, Rainbow	2	Marty Laskowitz	7	2*
Trout, Rainbow	12	William Adams	5	2*
Whiper Bass	4	Barry Taper	7	4*
MEN'S RELEASED				
Black Sea Bass	20	Jim Marshall	N/A	
Marlin, Black	80	Norman Port	N/A	
Marlin, Striped	20	Dan Felger	N/A	
LADIES				
Barracuda	16	Michiyo Marshall	7	5*
Trout, Rainbow	2	Michiyo Marshall	2	12*
Tuna, Yellowfin	50	Sally Vickers	106	0*

FIRST GAME FISH OF THE YEAR
Max Wunderman—March 24, 1993

*New Club Record



**SEND WEIGHT
SLIPS TO:**

Dan Felger
5530 Corbin Avenue,
Suite 120
Tarzana, California
91356
FAX 818/708-3657

REMINDER:

To be eligible for a trophy a member shall have attended a minimum of three regular meetings during the calendar year. This rule does not apply to junior members or ladies.

Weight certificates must be signed by a witness to the catch and witness to the weight, other than the angler.

Weight certificates must be postmarked within 15 days of the catch, unless a written explanation is submitted to the Board of Directors for approval.

LARRC CHARTERS '93

**LARRC WEDNESDAY CHARTERS ON THE INDIAN
22nd St. SAN PEDRO**

DATES: 7/28, 8/25, 9/29, 10/27.

1. Departure Time will be 11pm, but may be as early as 9pm. Boarding suggested by 9pm.
2. Generally trips will go to Catalina or San Clemente.
3. Return will be 4:30-5:00pm. May vary with conditions.
4. Bunk availability—first come, first serve. No reservations!
5. Club members have priority up to 30 days prior to trip. Any vacancies at this point are available to guests.
6. Load limits: 16 adults or 17 if juniors participate.
7. Cost \$85. Junior members up to 2 per trip pay 50%.
8. Price includes bait, soft drinks, beer, and a \$5 credit for food. Not included: Tips and Fish cleaning.

**LARRC WEDNESDAY CHARTERS ON THE SEA HAWK
SEA LANDING—SANTA BARBARA**

**DATES: 7/7, 7/21, 8/4, 8/18, 9/1, 9/22, 10/6, 10/20, 11/2-3*, 11/17, 12/1
* 2 day trip to San Miguel**

1. Departure Time will be at 5am, but may be 12am. To be decided by charter master in consultation with skipper.
2. Normally for local calico bass. If White Sea Bass or Yellow Tail possible they will get priority. Some trips may be for rockfish (light tackle) or halibut at Santa Rosa or San Miguel or a trip may go to Point Conception.
3. Normal return time is 4:30-5:00pm. May vary with conditions.
4. Earliest individuals to commit will be assigned outside six bunks, and double bunks. Done by Charter Master 2 day prior.
5. You may board after 9pm.
6. Club members have priority up to 30 days prior. Vacancies at that point may be offered to guests.
7. Loads are limited to 14 adults or 15 with juniors.
8. Cost is: \$75—5am departure (\$235 for 2 day 2am departure) \$95—2am departure (Includes all meals)
9. Price includes bait, soft drinks, beer and a \$5.00 galley credit for food only. Not included: Tips and Fish cleaning. Juniors pay 50% (up to 2 per trip)

All reservations should be made through Dan Felger at his business, 5530 Corbin Ave. # 120, Tarzana, CA 91356. (818) 708-3278, FAX (818) 708-3657. Your reservation, written or verbal, is your commitment to pay, even if you do not go, and your agreement to abide by club charter policies as established by the charter master. All trips are booked through Dan Felger's office.

Note: Support for the Harbor Indian Charters has been lacking. In order for us to continue these trips we need additional member participation. We scheduled these as a result of member requests.

ACCENTUATE

1992 marks recovery of international sport fishing:

According to the Pan Angler international fishing newsletter, nearly all major international angling areas made a substantial economic recovery in 1992 and are looking ahead to even greater gains in 1993. It was also a good year for fisheries conservation with more and more camps and lodges asking their customers to practice catch and release.

Of far-reaching importance, Mexico's Secretary of Fisheries (PESCA) has announced that no longline permits will be issued. This decision was reached after pressure was applied by the sportfishing coalition at Cabo San Lucas, Mexico's Department of Tourism, and others, concerned with the marlin resource. Longlining not only reduces marlin stocks immediately, but also results in smaller sizes of fish that are hooked by sport anglers. Hopefully, this news will mean more and bigger striped marlin, beginning this season.

Source: Tony Pena article, Calif. Angler 4/93

The United Anglers of Southern California fundraising dinner at the Balboa Bay Club netted about \$37,000 last month. Not bad for just the second year. A big thanks goes out to a lot of volunteers who made the dinner a success, with kudos to those who donated the big prizes and those who generously bid on them. Also, Milt Shedd of AFTCO, who started Sea World as a research institute in the early '60s and who has been active in conservation for decades, was honored. Pete Gray of Let's Talk Hookup on Mighty 690-AM bravely handled the microphone for the auction and did a great job.

Source: Pat McDonnell, WON 5/93

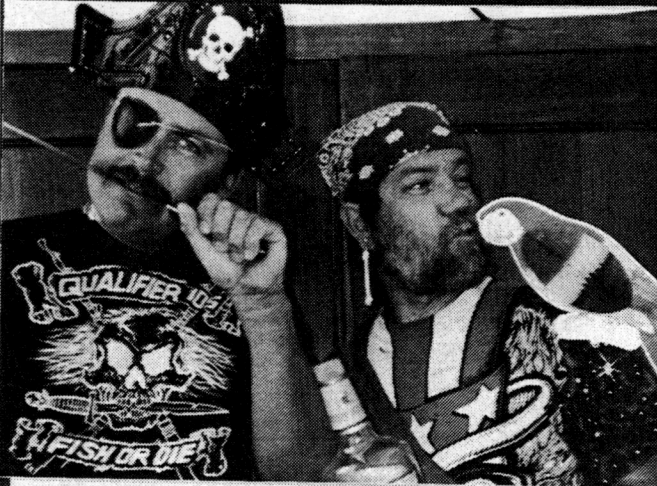
Ed. Note: LARRC was severely under represented at this affair.

Did You Know?

The world's commercial fishing industry lands about 100 million tons of product annually and throws away an additional 100 to 150 million tons of bycatch.

Source: SWS 4/93

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#12	2	June 3, 9 P.M.	June 5, 8 P.M.	\$350
#13	2	June 10, 9 P.M.	June 12, 8 P.M.	\$350
#14	2	June 24, 9 P.M.	June 26, 8 P.M.	\$350
#15	2	July 4, 10 P.M.	July 6, 8 P.M.	\$370
#16	2	July 7, 10 P.M.	July 9, 8 P.M.	\$370
#18	2	July 13, 10 P.M.	July 15, 8 P.M.	\$370
#20	2	July 18, 10 P.M.	July 20, 8 P.M.	\$370
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#23	2	July 25, 10 P.M.	July 27, 8 P.M.	\$370

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KEY ESTATE PLANNING QUESTIONS

1. Do you not wish to be placed on life support systems? If so, have you signed a Living Will?
2. Have you considered who will make health care decisions in case you are not able to do so? If so, have you signed a Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care?
3. Do you wish to minimize taxes?
4. Have you considered how your assets should be distributed upon your death?
5. Do you wish to avoid probate? Do you have a living trust?

I can help you formulate good answers.

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