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From the Commander - Gene Plocki

Pancake Breakfast. July 4 was a beautiful day. Many people came to our breakfast, and we thank the community for supporting this event which benefits our youth – the Boy Scouts, the Girl Scouts, and the Little League. The community’s great response was due in large part to the advertising campaign conducted by Marko Kosta of the Boy Scouts. Thank you, Marko.



Twin Cities Post 313 Pancake Breakfast 2011



The serving of over 1,000 patrons could not have been accomplished without the help of many people. Thank you, Joe Rusbarsky, Boy Scouts; Anne Shores, Girl Scouts; Dolores Leiter, Girl Scouts; Mike Boland, Little League; Rich Epidendio, Little League, and all their crews. The American Legion operated the gin fizz stand and took care of many administrative jobs. Chairman Gene Plocki thanks Stu and Jeanne Bacon, Bill Brennen, CJ Carrillo, Jack Dennis, John Farley, Bob Gonzalez, Cecil Green, Will Kaefer, David Stainbrook, David Wean, Frank Ortiz, Jim Reilly, Randy Stokes and Rich West (trumpet, morning colors). Combining efforts with Posts 179 and 313, the Color Guard played a significant role this year because they carried the American flag in the parade. Our thanks to Steve Bartley, John Hall, David O’Dell, Jim Parker, Ken Sites, and Steve Volk for carrying this off.

We also want to thank our supporters: George Greco for the gin mix, Jim Rogers for the coffee, Cynthia Huisman of the City of Larkspur for the parking lot permit, the Fire Department, Hall School, the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, and Howard Morris for the insurance.

Our Auxiliary President Pauline Angleman celebrated the day and promoted the parade’s theme, *Freedom Rocks*, by riding in a float depicting the freedom procured by the raising of the flag at Iwo Jima.

Free Lunch for Veterans. On September 5, from 11 to 3, Twin Cities Post 313 will be serving a free barbeque lunch and soft drinks to all veterans and their guests. The first drink to veterans is free. We thank the Post 313 Auxiliary for donating \$300 toward the cost of the lunch. See you on September 5 for another great gathering.

USS Hornet. On September 7, there will be a two hour guided tour of this ship followed by a hot buffet lunch. Guests will see historic aircraft and exhibits of WWII, Vietnam, and the Apollo moon missions. They will walk through Officers’ Country, Crew’s Berthing, Medical Spaces, and the Pilot Ready Room. After lunch, we will have an “exclusive” tour of sick bay by Bob Branick, who

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refurbished the medical department. If you are interested in going, please contact me.

July 20 Breakfast. Bill Brennen served breakfast on this date to an enthusiastic crowd. All who attended were well pleased. Thank you, Bill, for reviving this event.

Major Facilities Upgrades - Will Kaefer

The City of Larkspur has approved our plans for the new access walkway for our tenant, Joanie's On Magnolia. We hope to begin construction in mid-August. This will provide a safe pathway for Joanie's customers from the city parking lot.

In the last year we have upgraded the commercial kitchen's supply and exhaust fans and installed a new hall heating and air-conditioning system. Because of these increased loads we are upgrading our electrical service to the building. Our building permit has been approved. We expect the work to begin the afternoon of August 8th and be concluded two days later. During that time, the clubroom, hall and bar will be without power. We are providing temporary power to our kitchen tenant so that they can remain in operation.

American Legion Boys State. We are partnering with Post 37 in San Rafael to sponsor a candidate from Redwood High School next year. They will assist us in the interviewing and selection process and our post will provide the funding. This is an excellent American Legion program that teaches our youth about how the state government functions.

Auxiliary News—Pauline Angleman

The Twin Cities 4th of July Parade was flags and bunnings, pipers in kilts playing their high-stepping tunes, marchers, dancers, and cheering crowds. Leading it all were the police and firemen, protectors of each and everyone of us 24/7. Also represented: Joe Garbarino and his war time machines and the American Legion Honor Guard proudly carrying our nation's flags. Brenda and Elena carried our Auxiliary banner followed by Marine Corporal Russell Otto in his big white truck with a self-made replica of troops raising the American Flag on Iwo Jima Isle, honoring his fallen comrades. It was a day to remember with tempting foods, drinks, candy, balloons and delights for all from 2 to 102. A day to remember the price of Freedom!

CLUB ROOM MEAL SCHEDULE

AUGUST & SEPTEMBER

2011



Lunch will be served in the Post 313 club room mess hall on Wednesday, August 17 @1200 hrs. Menu is yet to be determined, but I assure you, C, K, or 5-in-1 rations will not be on

the menu. The cost is only \$7.00 and that includes salad, main course, dessert, wine, coffee, and tip. We have plates, so leave your mess kits in the barracks, or aboard ship. Wives, girlfriends and pals are welcome. Please call or email the Post to make a reservation.

Wednesday, August 31 is the 5th Wednesday of the month and we will carpool to the Super Buffet in Novato for lunch. We leave the Post @ 1215 hrs or you can meet us there @1230 hrs.

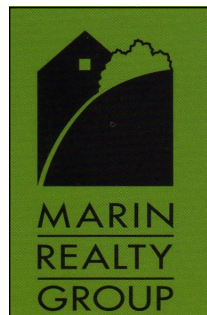
Breakfast will be served in the Post 313 club room mess hall on Wednesday, September 21 @ 0900 hrs. Menu includes orange juice, coffee, bacon, sausage, scrambled eggs with cheese, hash browns, and Bob's world famous pancakes. Depending on what's available at the time, fresh fruit may also be served. Sorry, no powdered eggs, powdered coffee, or spam. Again, mess kits are not required. The cost is only \$5.00, and that includes the tip. Wives, girlfriends and pals are still welcome. Please call or email the Post to make a reservation.

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September 5, 2011 - 11 AM to 3 PM

AMERICAN LEGION POST 313 500 Magnolia Ave. Larkspur, CA

Hamburgers, hot dogs & snacks free to all veterans.
Post Bar will be open; first drink to veterans free.

ALL VETERANS & THEIR GUESTS ARE WELCOME!