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COMING EVENTS - 2013

Veterans Day Dinner & Fundraiser November 11 See ad on page 3

ONGOING EVENTS

Coffee & Pastries Mondays & Thursdays 9 - 10 am (Club Room)

Post 313 Breakfasts Second Wednesday 8:30 - 10 am (Club Room)

General Membership Meetings First Monday 5:15 - 9 pm (Veterans Bar) Pizza & Beer + NFL Game Half Time Business Meeting

Executive Board Meetings Last Thursday** 9:30 am - 12 noon **November Mtg will be Monday, 11/25. December Mtg date to be announced.

Commander Bob Means

Hello Troops,

Time has been flying for me. I guess we're moving into the Holiday Season where family and friendships come to mind. I'm wishing you all many new memories to carry forward and fond remembrances of the past. Try and make our General Membership Meeting on Monday, Nov. 4th. We'll have pizza, beverages and Monday Night Football. Bears vs. Packers. We'll have a short business meeting at half time. Veterans Bar - doors open at 5:15.

Our Fisher House/Veterans Day Dinner is coming up soon (11/11). If you haven't sent your check and reservation(s), get on it. Seating is limited to 80 diners. For our silent auction we will be taking credit cards (thanks Lindsay) and Jackie T. tells me we have some interesting items up for bid. If you're not familiar with Fisher House, you're in for a treat with their informative video presentation - it's included with the price of admission.

Your elected, appointed staff and volunteers continue their diligence in moving your Post forward. We'll be meeting soon to decide on our annual donations to those we support.

Hope to see you on the 4th and the 11th!

Bob

First Vice Tom Beck

Membership . . . our Post is at 133 renewals and new members for 2014. We are ahead of schedule. If you haven't renewed yet **PLEASE** do so. Our goal for 2014 is 184 members. Although ahead of schedule, we would like to achieve 184 and close this out ASAP. It's never fun to be down to the last few days trying to track down a few stragglers.

As all of you know, much work has been done on the Hall both inside and out. We still are hoping to have the North facing side of the Hall painted before the rains come. In October, we decided to retire the remaining old chairs in the Hall and replace with 55 new banquet chairs that are identical to the 50 chairs we purchased a few years ago. Going forward into 2014 it's going to be *(Continued on page 3)*

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November 2013				
4	9 am	10 am	Coffee	
4	5 :15 pm	9 pm	General Membership Mtg (Pizza, Beverages, NFL in Vets Bar)	
7	9 am	10 am	Coffee	
11	9 am	10 am	Coffee	
11	5 pm	9 pm	Veterans Day Dinner (Hall & Bar)	
12	12 noon	2 pm	Auxiliary Unit Meeting (Club Room)	
13	8:30 am	10 am	Post Breakfast (Club Room)	
14	9 am	10 am	Coffee	
18	9 am	10 am	Coffee	
21	9 am	10 am	Coffee	
25	9 am	10 am	Coffee	
25	9:30 am	12 noon	Executive Committee Mtg. (Club Room)	
28			Thanksgiving Day	

December 2013

2	9 am	10 am	Coffee	
2	5:15 pm	9 pm	General Membership Mtg (Pizza, Beverages, NFL in Vets Bar)	
5	9 am	10 am	Coffee	
9	9 am	10 am	Coffee	
10	12 noon	2 pm	Auxiliary Unit Mtg (Club Room)	
11	8:30 am	10 am	Post Breakfast (Club Room)	
12	9 am	10 am	Coffee	
16	9 am	10 am	Coffee	
19	9 am	10 am	Coffee	
23	9 am	10 am	Coffee	
26	9 am	10 am	Coffee	
30	9 am	10 am	Coffee	
			Note: Executive Committee Mtg date for Dec TBA	
For calendar updates, see the club room bulletin board & the post website: http://americanlegion313.org		ard & the p	ost www.co.marin.ca.us/depts/HH/main/	



Post 313 Breakfast

Wednesday, November 13 8:30-10 am in Club Room \$5.00 (All you can eat!)

Includes fruit juice, scrambled eggs with cheese, pancakes, bacon, sausage and coffee.

Reservation: signup in Club Room, call Bill Brennen (415-927-0393) or leave message at the Post (415-924-6283).

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bathrooms and bar. Although we have much pre-work to do, our eyes are on redoing the bathrooms completely including a dual entry for both bathrooms and becoming ADA compliant. This will be a big lift both in terms of time and money. Also, for the bar we are looking at new flooring, a new brass foot bar rail (which we presently don't have) and possibly taking the acoustics off the ceiling.

Hall rentals are our lifeblood from the business end of things. In October we added an every Sunday evening renter. This will go on for the next four months and the renter hopes to continue this usage for "years". This is a huge win for us as we almost never rented the Hall on Sunday evenings. Also, for you live music fans, Murphy Productions did their first live music event this month. It was a huge success and they hope to do many more in the months and years ahead. As mentioned above, the dollars we receive will be a big financial help towards the bathrooms and bar projects.

My door is always open.

The Color Guard is recruiting

The combined color guard of Posts 313 and 179 is recruiting new members. We march twice a year: the Memorial Day parade in Mill Valley and the 4th of July (Continued on page 4)



Color Guard Marches Down Magnolia Avenue

VETERANS DAY DINNER MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2013 American Legion Post 313

Larkspur / Corte Madera



Lasagna, Salad, Garlic Bread, Dessert Dinner Donation: \$15. Wine \$5 per bottle. Post Bar opens 5pm. Dinner served 6pm.

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT TRAVIS A.F.B. FISHER HOUSE

Silent Auction will be held.

Seating is limited to first 80 reservations. Reservations are required.

Mail reservation and/or donation checks by November 8 to:

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parade in Larkspur. We also meet on a weeknight before those parades at Post 179 for a brief rehearsal.

You are required to supply your own black marching boots or shoes and pants with gold piping. The pants cost around \$50 plus tailoring; if you cannot afford the pants we'll work something out.

The color guard only has 5-6 members between the two posts and I know we can do better. It's a very rewarding experience hearing the crowds cheer as you march. You will also hear plenty of thanks and see many people standing up as you march by and they salute the flag.

If you're interested please contact Bill Brennen (415-927-0293) or David O'Dell (davidodell@gmail.com).

Auxiliary News - President Elena Bartley

Thanksgiving is coming up. Hope everyone enjoys the holiday!

I want to let you all know that we appreciate all of our A.L.A. Members. Thank You for being an Auxiliary member and don't forget,

PLEASE PAY YOUR DUES!!!

