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Commander Kit Kubitz VETERANS DAY

Marin County will have its annual Veterans Day Celebration November 11 at the Marin Civic Center. A retired U.S. Navy captain from Novato who spent much of his 33-year military career deployed in special operations overseas will serve as the keynote speaker for Marin County’s annual Veterans Day ceremony. Richard Sisk was commissioned in 1981 through the Navy Officer Candidate School in Newport, RI, and retired in 2014 as deputy commander of a Joint Special Operations Task Force based in Bahrain. He held a variety of intelligence and training positions and managed four special warfare reserve units during the course of his career, including SEAL Teams 1, 3 and 5. A 10-year civilian career was interrupted by a recall to active duty during Operation Iraqi Freedom.

The ceremony, which begins at 9:30 a.m., will mark in the 101st anniversary of the World War I armistice agreement, which was signed in the 11th hour on the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918. A free barbecue lunch for veterans and their families will be offered immediately after the traditional ceremonies just outside the Veterans’ Memorial Auditorium. Patriotic songs will played by the Las Gallinas Valley Sanitary District Non-Marching Band, aka the Sewer Band, to begin the ceremony. Later, Marin-based vocalist/actor Susan Zelinsky and her students from Sun Valley Elementary will sing the national anthem and “God Bless America.” Cadets from the U.S. Air Force Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC) based at Novato High School will present the colors. For more information on the morning ceremonies, contact Ray Mullin of the Marin County United Veterans Council at rayz-er44@yahoo.com. See the poster below in the newsletter for the schedule. Event officials are actively seeking veterans from recent overseas conflicts in the Middle East to attend the ceremony and become active in Marin’s veterans groups.

There may also be a meeting for the United States Marine Corps birthday in San Rafael, although we are waiting for details as to when such a meeting might be held. Happy Birthday to the USMC on November 10.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 Daylight Saving Time Ends	4 10a Coffee (Clubroom) 10:30a E Board 10:30a General Membership Meeting (Clubroom)	5 Election Day	6	7 10a Coffee (Clubroom)	8	9 10a Post Breakfast (Clubroom)
10	11 Veterans' Day 10a Coffee (Clubroom)	12 1p Auxiliary Luncheon (Clubroom)	13	14 10a Coffee (Clubroom)	15	16
17	18 10a Coffee (Clubroom)	19	20	21 Great American Smokeout 10a Coffee (Clubroom)	22	23
24	25 10a Coffee (Clubroom)	26	27	28 Thanksgiving Day 10a Coffee (Clubroom)	29	30

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29	30 9a Coffee (Clubroom)	31				

For calendar updates, see the club room bulletin board & the post website, americanlegion313.org

For Veteran's Services, see [http:// www.co.marin.ca.us/depts/HH/main/ ag/ veterans.cfm](http://www.co.marin.ca.us/depts/HH/main/ag/veterans.cfm)

Post 313 MEETINGS AND BREAKFAST

Post 313 will have its general meeting and executive committee meeting on Monday, November 4 at 9:30 and the monthly Post 313 Breakfast Saturday November 9 at 9 am. All Veterans and guests are welcome to attend the best \$5 breakfast in Marin County.

Thanks to Bob Gonzalez, Tom Berns, and Bill Brennen for helping with the October Breakfast in Bob Rogers absence; we look forward to having Bob back in charge in November.

Hopefully all Post 313 members and families survived the recent power outages and fire incidents without injury or harm. One of the American Legion's priorities is disaster preparedness as part of its service to communities. Recent incidents should be a reminder to have a go bag ready with all you need for the 5 P's: People, Pets, Papers, Prescriptions, and Phone or Personal Computer. Post 313 provided boxes of breakfast biscuits, batteries, and sodas on Tuesday during the outage to people at the Central Marin Police Station who were using their power to charge their phones and computers.

Thanks to all who helped celebrate Pauline Angleman's birthday last month, including Elena Bartley of the Post 313 Auxiliary and the members who helped set up the tables and chairs, including the District 5 Auxiliary representatives.

AMERICAN LEGION CENTENNIAL

2019 marks the 100th Anniversary of the founding of the American Legion following World War I. Now any person who served in the Armed Forces of the United States: Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, since December 7, 1941 is eligible to be a member of the American Legion. This allows up to 4.2 million former service members to now join the American Legion. The American Legion also supported approval of disability benefits for Blue Water Navy Veterans. During one month in 2019, the American Legion Temporary Financial Assistance Program disbursed \$1,030,163 to military and veteran families, mostly to Coast Guard families affected by 35 day government shutdown. If you know anyone who is a former service member, please invite them to join Post 313 of the American Legion. And if you haven't renewed yet, please renew on line at the American Legion website. See

<https://www.legion.org/renew>

The St Patrick's Thrift Store has a window honoring Veterans, including Post 313 member James Hanratty and other people from the area who have served in the United States Armed Forces. Take a moment to look in at the St. Patrick's window to see how this local organization supports and honors Veterans. And soon there will be a new National World War I Memorial in Washington, D.C., having received final approval on September 19. This Memorial will honor the 4.7 million Americans who served in the armed forces during that war. The design by architect Joseph Weishaar and bronze sculpture by Sabin Howard will be installed in a newly renovated Pershing Park.

POST 313 RECEIVED THANKS FROM DOWN-RANGE SOLDIERS

Greetings from Afghanistan,

I will be sending a personal thank you letter as well from our Sailors here. We are very happy with the outreaching support you all have provided to our Team. We are a medical unit here in country and there are a lot of long nights and people who miss their loved ones. Many of my Sailors do not have family to send them a simple letter let alone a carry package, so I thank you for your organization and I ask that you please send our regards. We all look forward to returning home in a few months. Organizations like this help to give us a piece of home when we miss it most! On behalf of Team Victor we would like to send each of you a BIG THANK YOU!

Very respectfully,

HMCS (SW/AW/FMF) Crystal E. Ingram

Command Senior Chief

NATO Role III MMU Victor

Post 313 Breakfast

Saturday, November 9, 2019

9:00 am in Club Room

\$5.00 (All you can eat!)

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

Reservation: Signup in Club Room or Call Bill Brennen (415-927-0393)

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Marin County United Veterans Council cordially invites you to attend

Veterans Day

Honoring ALL Who Served

Monday, November 11 | Marin Civic Center | Veterans Auditorium

9:30 am Patriotic Music by The Sewer Band

10:00 am Program featuring Guest Speaker
CAPT Richard Sisk , U.S. Navy (Ret.)

BBQ Lunch to follow program

FREE * EVERYONE WELCOME
FAMILY-FRIENDLY * ACCESSIBLE

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