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March 1, 2014

UPCOMING EVENTS

General Membership Meeting
March 3

6 pm Pizza & Social Hour (Vets Bar)
7 pm Business Meeting (Hall)

Presentation to follow. Guest speaker presents his experience on the line in Korea during the Lunar New Year in 1968.

Note: RSVPs appreciated

Post 313 Member Appreciation Dinner
March 15
Details on page 3.

Community Event/Post 313 Open House
March 29
Details 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 Club Room
 6:15 pm - Social
 7:15 pm - Business Meeting

Executive Board Meetings
 Last Thursday
 9:30 am - 12 noon

Commander Bob Means

As always your officers are hard at work in efforts to manage and improve our operations.

The Facility Rental Program continues to grow and improvements to the Hall and grounds are consistently commented on by others. We are in preliminary mode with ideas to modernize Hall restrooms.

Members and guests still have time to RSVP with your check for the Veteran's Appreciation Dinner on March 15th. Our in-house caterer (Lavier) will be serving another tasty meal. Check out the price - it's almost like going back in time. Remember, we're limited to 80 diners and no walk ups on night of the event.

Don't forget we have election of officers in April. Get involved.

Slate of Officers for 2014—2015 Election will be held April 1 at General Membership Meeting Club Room—7:15 pm

Commander	Bob Means
First Vice	Tom Beck
Second Vice	Bill Brennen
Third Vice	C.J. Carrillo
Members-at-Large	Bob Gonzalez
	Russ Wallace
	Bill Howard

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March 2014

3	8 am	9 am	Coffee
3	6 pm		General Membership Meeting (Details on Page 1)
6	9 am	10 am	Coffee
10	9 am	10 am	Coffee
11	12 noon	2 pm	Auxiliary Unit Mtg (Club Room)
12	8:30 am	10 am	Post Breakfast (Club Room)
13	9 am	10 am	Coffee
15	5 pm		Post 313 Dinner (Hall & Bar)
17	9 am	10 am	Coffee
20	9 am	10 am	Coffee
24	9 am	10 am	Coffee
27	9 am	10 am	Coffee
27	9:30 am	12 noon	Executive Committee Meeting (Club Room)
31	9 am	10 am	Coffee

April 2014

3	9 am	10 am	Coffee
7	9 am	10 am	Coffee
7	6:15 pm		General Membership Meeting (Club Room)
8	12 noon	2 pm	Auxiliary Unit Mtg (Club Room)
9	8:30 am	10 am	Post Breakfast (Club Room)
10	9 am	10 am	Coffee
14	9 am	10 am	Coffee
17	9 am	10 am	Coffee
20			Easter Sunday
21	9 am	10 am	Coffee
24	9 am	10 am	Coffee
24	9:30 am	12 noon	Executive Committee Meeting (Club Room)
28	9 am	10 am	Coffee

For calendar updates, see the club room bulletin board & the post website: <http://americanlegion313.org>

For Veteran's Services, see <http://www.co.marin.ca.us/depts/HH/main/ag/veterans.cfm>



Post 313 Breakfast

Wednesday, March 12
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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Tech Help Needed. If any member, spouse, son, daughter or grandchild has web ability, your Post can use help with our advertising/outreach efforts. Contact the Commander.

Community Event. We are in talks with the Water District (MMWD), Marin Master Gardeners, Urban Farmer, Larkspur Library and Larkspur Merchant's Assn. We plan to host an Open House on 3/29 to show-case how programs/education offered by these organizations can be of benefit to the community. Your help with setup/take-down of the Hall would be appreciated.

Member Involvement Encouraged. Don't forget to offer up your ideas for events and to offer critique of those functions you attend. We need your feedback.

If you have an item of interest don't hesitate to forward it to us for consideration/inclusion in your newsletter.

1st Vice Commander - Tom Beck

We're solidly into 2014 and things are rolling along.

62nd Annual Pancake Breakfast (PCB): We have had our first planning meeting regarding the 62nd Annual PCB. You might wonder how much work is spent planning and preparing as we have done this thing 61 times? Well, remember that the members that did the first PCB aren't around except for maybe a few and it's a heavy lift as we generally feed over a thousand people. It's a chaotic day to say the least. This year again, Post 313 member Eric Zarko will chair the PCB from the Boy and Girl Scout end and I will represent the Post to help coordinate the facilities. Somehow it will go off well. There will be too many balls in the air at times but won't be noticeable to the town.

Boys State: As many of you know we have been sending a boy from Redwood High School to Boys State which is an American Legion sponsored event. It is a great opportunity for young men to go to Sacramento for a week and learn how a state government is run. This is an honor for the lucky young man who gets the opportunity to go. In any year we have interviewed several well qualified candidates to come up with just one who actually goes to Sacramento. This year we are changing things a bit as we will be sending three boys from Redwood High School. Many Posts send more than one and we are excited that three boys will get the opportunity this year.

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★ Post 313

★ Member Appreciation Dinner

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★ Saturday, March 15

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★ 5 pm Hospitality Hour

★ 6 pm Dinner

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★ Menu

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★ *Salad*

★ *Mixed greens with cucumber, tomato,*

★ *feta & balsamic vinaigrette*

★

★ *Parmesan crusted chicken breast*

★ *drizzled with basil creamy sauce*

★

★ *Gnocchi gratin with spinach &*

★ *artichoke hearts*

★

★ *Seasonal roasted vegetables*

★

★ *Warm sweet rolls with butter*

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★ *Dessert*

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★ **Cost: \$10**

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★ Full no host bar.

★ Table wine available at \$5

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★ Your check is your reservation. We have

★ a strict limit of 80 diners at this event.

★ No walkups.

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★ Send check payable to

★ Twin Cities Post 313

★ by March 12

★ Attn Bob Gonzalez

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★ We cannot accept cancellations after

★ March 12.

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Membership: It is almost March and we still have approximately 25 members that have not renewed for 2014. This week we are making contact with all these members to remind them to get their dues in. As I have said before, membership is the best indicator of the health of a Post and we can't fall down in this area. My challenge is still out there. Every Post 313 member knows a veteran who isn't a member of Post 313. Reel them in. Congratulations to Neil Church for coming through in Feb. He found us a new member who was already an American Legion member, just had never found a Post. With a little bit of focus, it's not that hard to do. My door is always open.

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New for Veterans: Reset Your Future and Thrive

6 Tuesdays, 6:40—8:30 pm
March 25—May 6 (No class April 15)
College of Marin Kentfield Campus
Learning Center 36

Fee \$47 (Includes \$5 materials fee) CRN# 35120

In this course, you will identify your strengths and learn to work with them. You will clarify your goals and create a strategic plan to reach them. This course teaches you strategies to monitor, adjust and adapt your plan as necessary for success. Your new self-knowledge will allow you to package yourself to be more attractive to employers, or you may decide to become your own boss.

30 minutes of individual coaching is included and available upon completion of the course.

Please bring a pen and a notebook or journal with you to class.

Auxiliary News—President Elena Bartley

It looks like we have the perfect candidate for Girls State from Tam High. If all goes well, we hope to be sending Grace Aviles this year. It's very exciting! And thank you for doing a rain dance. It's working.