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Commander Bob Means

Hello Veterans and those still in uniform.

As the year draws to a close I would like to thank all of you who have given of your time for the betterment of Post 313. Also noteworthy are all of you who support us by attending our events throughout the year. First Vice Beck has done a nice job (below) highlighting some of the major accomplishments of 2015.

The Post is always looking to hold events that benefit our stated mission and we encourage you to pass along your thoughts. You're always welcome to join us for coffee and pastry Mondays and Thursdays from 9 - 10 in the Club Room or email, snail mail or phone in your ideas.

Wishing you all the best in 2016.

First Vice Commander Tom Beck

2015 is in the books. We had a big year! New cabinets and carpet for the clubroom. New bathrooms in the Hall. After more than 60 years, our chandeliers in the Hall which we all love went through a complete overhaul to give them another 60 years. We got a brand new parking lot out front with more parking spaces and finally got the flag where it always should have been, by the Post and it now is lit up correctly. Also, we secured a \$200k line of credit with Bank of Marin to help us with projects yet to be tackled.

With all this we still kept up our charitable contributions totaling over \$11,000 to Little League, Boys State, Blue Star Moms, Fisher House, Air Force ROTC, Fort Miley Volunteer Services, and Veterans Housing and Services. Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts netted almost \$6,000 on 4th of July.

I hope everyone has had a great 2015 and I wish everyone the best for 2016.

My door is always open.

Membership Renewal

Our new members and renewals continue to rise, a tremendous achievement. Be aware that our membership year is July 1—June 30. And, note that National continues to send Renewal letters after you have paid. If you mistakenly pay twice, the Office Manager will return your check.

Let's mount a final push to get our renewals to 100%. Thirty seven of
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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|-----|---|--|--|--|------------------|-----|
| | | | | | 1 New Year's Day | 2 |
| 3 | 4 9a Coffee (Club Room) 6:15p General Membership Social (Clubroom) 7:15p General Membership Meeting (Clubroom) | 5 | 6 | 7 9a Coffee (Club Room) | 8 | 9 |
| 10 | 11 Human Trafficking Awareness 9a Coffee (Club Room) | 12 12p Auxiliary Unit Meeting (Club Room) | 13 8:30a Post 313 Breakfast (Club Room) | 14 9a Coffee (Club Room) | 15 | 16 |
| 17 | 18 Martin Luther King 9a Coffee (Club Room) | 19 | 20 | 21 9a Coffee (Club Room) | 22 | 23 |
| 24 | 25 9a Coffee (Club Room) | 26 | 27 | 28 9a Coffee (Club Room) 9:30a Executive Board Meeting (Club Room) | 29 | 30 |

~ February 2016 ~

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | 1 9a Coffee (Club Room) 6:15p General Membership Social (Clubroom) 7:15p General Membership Meeting (Clubroom) | 2 Groundhog Day | 3 | 4 9a Coffee (Club Room) | 5 | 6 |
| 7 Super Bowl | 8 Chinese New Year 9a Coffee (Club Room) | 9 12p Auxiliary Unit Meeting (Club Room) | 10 8:30a Post 313 Breakfast (Club Room) | 11 9a Coffee (Club Room) | 12 | 13 |
| 14 Valentine's Day | 15 Presidents Day 9a Coffee (Club Room) | 16 | 17 | 18 9a Coffee (Club Room) | 19 | 20 |
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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>

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you have not yet renewed. The easiest way to renew is online at:

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

If online renewal isn't possible, send your check for \$35 to the Post. Not sure if you've renewed, leave a message at the office.

Member Discount Programs

Were you aware of the many discounts available to American Legion members? Discounts are offered in many areas, including:

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Financial & Insurance

Medical

Moving & Relocation

Travel & Lodging

Miscellaneous

Details will be provided in this and subsequent newsletters.

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Phone: (800) 462-5266

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Post 313 Breakfast Wednesday, January 13, 2016

8:30 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

Call Bill Brennen (415-927-0393)
or Leave message at the Post (415-924-6283).

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**VALENTINE'S DAY LUNCHEON
FOR MARIN COUNTY WOMEN VETERANS**

Sunday, February 14, 2016

11:30 AM to 2:00 PM

**American Legion Log Cabin
Veterans Place, San Anselmo**

**Please RSVP by February 1 to
Meg Tarantino at 415-453-371 or
tomandmegtaranno@gmail.com**