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Commander Bob Means

This is my last communication to members as your Commander. Thank you for the Post's support the past years. I especially want to acknowledge our Officers and volunteers who have been hands on. Our many accomplishments are entirely attributable to them. I thank all who are willing to serve and hope you will show your support by attending the April General Membership meeting on Monday, April 3,

At the General Membership meeting on April 3, membership will have an opportunity to vote on next year's slate and on a dues increase.

The Executive Board recommends the following slate of officers for 2017 - 2018:

Commander	Kit Kubitz
First Vice Commander	Tom Beck
Second Vice Commander	Bill Brennan
Third Vice Commander	Matt Markham
Member at Large	Bob Gonzalez
Member at Large	Andy Guralas
Member at Large	Bill Howard

As previously written about, only \$1.50 of the current \$35 dues stays with the Post. The increase being proposed by the Board is to provide revenue for the Post.

Read through the newsletter for information on upcoming events: Commander's Dinner and annual Fisher House Fundraiser.

First Vice Commander C. J. Carillo

Membership renewals continue to come in. The Post now has 4 HONORARY, 24 PUFLs, 74 renewals transmitted plus 41 online renewals and 4 new members, for a total of 147 members, 84% of goal. The members who have not renewed have been contacted. We encourage all to choose to renew. If you use the internet, please renew online: <https://www.members.legion.org/renew>

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~ April 2017 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 9a Coffee (Club Room) 6:15p General Membership Social (Clubroom) 7:15p General Membership Meeting (Clubroom)	4	5	6 9a Coffee (Club Room)	7	8
9	10 9a Coffee (Club Room)	11 12p Auxiliary Unit Meeting (Club Room)	12 8:30a Post 313 Breakfast (Club Room)	13 9a Coffee (Club Room)	14 Good Friday	15
16 Easter	17 Tax Day (Taxes Due) 9a Coffee (Club Room)	18	19 5p Commanders Dinner	20 9a Coffee (Club Room)	21	22 Earth Day
23 World Immunization Week	24 9a Coffee (Club Room)	25 World Malaria Day	26 Administrative Professionals	27 9a Coffee (Club Room) 9:30a Executive Board Meeting (Club Room)	28 Arbor Day	29
~ May 2017 ~						
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14 Mother's Day	15 9a Coffee (Club Room)	16	17	18 9a Coffee (Club Room)	19	20 Armed Forces Day 6p Fisher House Fundraiser (San Rafael Community Center)
21	22 9a Coffee (Club Room)	23	24	25 9a Coffee (Club Room) 9:30a Executive Board Meeting (Club Room)	26	27
28	29 Memorial Day 9a Coffee (Club Room)	30	31			

Member-at-Large Kit Kubitz

Kit's work in sending boxes to troops in Iraq, Afghanistan and Korea has been acknowledged by members of various units. See the letters received on the Clubroom bulletin board.

Overview of MIC & The Jones Act

Also known as the Merchant Marine Act of 1920, the [Jones act](#) is a very important law for seamen and Merchant Marines. In its introduction, it explains that it was intended to support and enhance a lively maritime industry in the United States. The act also contains sections on regulation for coastal shipping and maritime commerce, which have been regularly revised.

The Jones act is aimed at maintaining the rights of seamen at work and their protection in case of maritime injury. The act further demands that employers supply substantial amounts of food, shelter and medical care during work and protect the injured ones, whether from negligence or unseaworthiness. If any of these is violated, an employee is free to file a claim for damages. However, this act excludes any maritime workers who are injured but not while working or navigable waters; the law requires one to spend at least 30 percent of working time on navigable waters. Such workers could include sailors, drivers, mechanics, cooks, fishermen, pilots and captains.

Additional to all these claims, The act forces all vessels to follow U.S. regulations and works to provide safer maritime environment. Jones Act supports the maritime industry, creating jobs and saving costs that would have been on the Department of Homeland Security.

Post 313 Breakfast
Wednesday, April 5, 2017

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 or Call Bill Brennen (415-927-0393)

**COMMANDERS' DINNER****HONORING RETIRING COMMANDER**

BOB MEANS

& WELCOMING NEW COMMANDER

KIT KUBITZ

WEDNESDAY APRIL 19, 2017

AMERICAN LEGION POST 313

500 MAGNOLIA AVE.

LARKSPUR, CA

BAR OPENS @ 5 PM

DINNER @ 6 PM

*Catered by Forks & Fingers
of Novato*

Menu:

*Green salad w/house dressing.
Tri Tip marinated in garlic, olive oil
Chicken breast pounded thin, lightly
floured & sautéed with
Sliced Shitaki mushrooms, roasted garlic,
diced tomatoes, fresh spinach & white wine.
Rice Pilaf
Seasonal vegetables.
Ice cream for dessert*

ADVANCED RESERVATIONS REQUIRED.

\$25 PER GUEST

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO AMERICAN
LEGION POST 313,**

NOTE MENU CHOICE

**MAIL TO AMERICAN LEGION POST 313
500 MAGNOLIA AVE. LARKSPUR, CA**

94939.

Attn. Bob Gonzalez

**PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED BY SAT. APRIL 15th
TO CONFIRM RESERVATION.
NO REFUNDS AFTER APRIL 15.**

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SAVE THE DATE SUPPORT OUR MILITARY AND VETERAN FAMILIES

SATURDAY, MAY 20th, 2017

Let's Party to Benefit

FISHER HOUSE

*100% of Proceeds to Benefit Travis Fisher House
Special Guest & MC – **Michael Pritchard***

Featuring the **“Swingin’ Blue Stars”** of the *USS Hornet*

Great Hors d'Oeuvres, Beverages, Raffle and Fun!

6:00 to 9:00 P.M.

SAN RAFAEL COMMUNITY CENTER 619 “B” STREET,
For more information or reservations contact
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For Veteran's Services, see <http://www.co.marin.ca.us/depts/>

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