

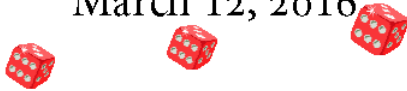


AMERICAN LEGION Post 694 MARINA CA
 PO Box 565 Marina CA 93933 (831-384-6616)
 On the web at www.caalpost694.org



Dinner And BUNCO

March 12, 2016



Details inside

Dinner 5 pm

Bunco 6:30 pm

Welcome our new and transfer members!

Milchor Green, Gordon Hulme, Tom Sloop, William Staples, Raymond Martin Jr, Ding Landingin & Damon Sitgraves!

Please support membership and invite one veteran that you know to join us!

American Legion
 Monterey Cypress Post 694
 694 Legion Way
 P.O. Box 565
 Marina CA 93933

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American Legion Post 694

HEROES OF AMERICA BALL

MAY 21, 2016

"An Evening of Elegance, Fine Dining, and Dancing, Honoring America's Heroes."



Kids Easter Party

Saturday, March 26, 2016

noon – 2 pm

At the American Legion Post 694

694 Legion Way

Marina

Pizza, crafts and the Easter Egg Hunt (at 1:30)

Bring your favorite basket



Ballroom Dancing Lessons are offered the first Thursday of the Month at 7 pm. Cost is \$10.



Cocktails: 5:00 pm

Dinner: 6:30 pm

Dancing: 8:00 pm

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 Entrée choices: Prime Rib, Salmon, Vegetarian

Dress: Formal, Civilian or Military

Advance tickets : **\$35.00** per person
 "Adults ages 18 and older"

CDR	Jon Baker	324-0191
1st Vice	Steve McDougall	455-8665
2nd Vice	Gary Deaton	596-4364
Director		
Director		
Director	Czec Panek	394-8180
Director	Belle Jones	
Director	Janet Wagner	674-1518



Sgt-At-Arms	Les Sturges	883-2081
Chaplain	Mary Estrada	384-0152
Finance	By Committee	
Svc Officer	Mary Estrada	384-0152
Judge Adv	Mike Hohler	659-4754
Adjutant	Cathy McDougall	455-8665
Historian	Sherryl Panek	394-8180
Junior Past	Tony Wagner	674-1518

Commander's Corner...Post, Auxiliary, SAL and Riders are feeling the loss of our Past Commander and Chairman of the Board, Teo Colon, who passed away in January. Many thanks to all who attended his Celebration of Life. I know that Teo's son, George, is most grateful for the outpouring of respect from the Legion Family and the community of Marina. Teo's dedication to the Legion and his continual hard work will always be missed. To honor Teo for his thirty-nine years of service to The American Legion, the Post 694 Board of Directors have unanimously voted to rename the Post "American Legion Post 694 Teo Colon Memorial". The name change process will take a while due to the legalities involved but it should be completed by the end of the year. Thank you to current Chairman Czec Panek for working so hard on this project.

As usual we are continually in need of help at the Post with Community Service, special events supervision and at meal service. So I ask again for you to look at the calendar and see if there is a spot where you can help out. Without a corps of volunteers it falls on the officers of the Post and Auxiliary to do most of the work. We need your help. A big "Thank You" to those who have stepped up to help out.

For God and Country, Jon Baker, Commander.

Chaplains Corner

Thanks to the recent rains, the hills are green and many flowers are already in bloom. It is truly a time of renewal. What better way to start anew than to give a little of ourselves to those of our fellow veterans who are in need. Whether it is a personal contact with one of our needy post members or joining with other post members to work on a project at the post, you can be sure that you will come away with more than you give. Luke 6:38 says "Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you."

I am sorry to report that our comrade Teo Colon has passed on to Post Everlasting. We honor his service to our post and to our great country and send prayers of sympathy and comfort to his family and friends. A quite moving service and Celebration of Life was held in January. I hope that most of you were able to attend. Teo truly exemplified the epitome of "Service". Please let us know if one of our comrades is ill and/or when one of our members pass away so we can offer our prayers and assistance by calling 831-384-0152 or e-mailing me at chaplainpost694@yahoo.com.

For God & Country,
Mary M. Estrada
Chaplain – Legion and Riders

From the cover: **5:00 PM / \$8.00 - Corned Beef Dinner**

BUNCO Details **6:30 PM / \$20.00—per person to play BUNCO**

Saturday **Most Buncos and Most Wins - 15 %**

March 12th **2nd Most Buncos and 2nd Most Wins - 7½ %**

Most Losses - 5 %

Monterey Cypress Unit 694

General Meetings 2nd Thursday of the every month except July at 7 pm

Auxiliary Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1746, Marina, CA 93933

President	Carol Yates	905-8886
1st Vice	Sandra Rodrigues	905-7965
2nd Vice	Connie Raya	594-0226
Secretary	Sherryl Panek	394-8180
Treasurer	Jennifer Johnson	917-0463
Chaplain	Michelle Soares	324-0848
Historian	Dallas Johnson	917-0463



Sgt-At-Arms	Japana Hohler	659-4754
Marshal	Roberta Brown	656-9811
Parliamentarian	Ruby Kapsalis	394-4514
Executive Board	Lis Billingsley	384-9038
Executive Board	Barbara Ferguson	384-6598
Executive Board	Renee Nichols	384-5117
Jr Past Pres	Judi De Arana	682-0007

From the Podium... On January 17th our Unit members dressed up as Strawberry Farmers to support and greet our Department President, Susie Tozier, during her official visit to District 28, held at our Post. Susie's theme is Growing the Legion Families for Veterans. We presented her with a check to help support her special project which is to continue to assist temporary financial assistance to children and youth and VA&R.

Volunteers are always needed to help serve the veterans in our many programs. We have Monday night dinners, special events at the Post, Thomas Carman Food Pantry, Poppy Month coming up in May, and so much more. Can you spare some time to help? Do you have a fundraising idea to share? Our meetings are the second Thursday of each month @ 7pm to find out more information; or please call any of our officers or chairs. Of course if you are already volunteering, you have my heartfelt thanks for all of your efforts.

What We Do: Our members do incredible work. Last year Auxiliary members across the nation reported a total of 12,492,276 volunteer hours serving Mission outreach, and veterans and communities. Additionally, members reported \$54,428,900 raised or spent on veterans and military families, and to support veterans and communities. These numbers represent about half of the actual volunteer hours and dollars raised or spent on veteran related programs and communities nationwide, which means that our volunteer service impact for the year ending September 1, 2015, is worth nearly \$3 billion. According to the Independent Sector, a coalition of charities, foundations, and corporations what publishes research important to the non-profit sector, the 2014-15 estimated value of one hour of volunteer service is \$23.07.

For God and Country, Carol Yates, President.

The Chaplain's Corner... At the February meeting, members draped the Charter for twenty-year member, Patricia Carter, who died on January 9, 2016; ten-year-member, Tina Henderson-Semo (daughter of Inge Henderson), and forty-two-year member, Billie Fleming, whose death on September 13, 2013 was only just made known to us. These long-time members will be missed by all who knew them. Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Mickey Vaughn, who recently suffered a stroke, and to Inge Henderson, who is recovering from a recent knee surgery. Until next time, if you know of a member who is ill or could use some cheering up please contact Michelle Soares, Unit 694 Chaplain at 831-324-0848, or email her at brakegoddess@comcast.net.

Membership... Membership Chairman Sandy Rodrigues extends a big Hello to all Auxiliary members, and would like to welcome our new members and thank the members who have renewed for 2016. We are working toward our goal of 269 Auxiliary members and we currently stand at 198 (73%). If you have not renewed your membership for 2016 please send your \$25 dues to the American Legion Auxiliary, P.O. Box 1746, Marina, CA 93933. Thank you for all your support.

Community Service Chair Sandy Rodrigues reminds everyone that our Unit members regularly volunteer at the Thomas Carman Food Pantry every 3rd Saturday of the month from 8:30am to 11:00am; if you would like to help, contact Sandy at 831-905-7965 or come to the Pantry located at located at the Epiphany Lutheran and Episcopal Church at the corner of Carmel and California Avenues in the City of Marina (425 Carmel Ave, Marina). The Thomas Carman Food Pantry will be doing a Community Walk 5K event on Saturday March 19th from 8:00am to Noon. Volunteers and donations are needed for this event. For further information please call 831-578-2546.

Sandy is compiling statistics for her end of year Community Service report, and would like to know what volunteer services our members have been involved in since July 1, 2015, so please call or email your volunteer information to her by March 31st. Please include hours served, money spent or donated and the type of volunteer work you have done. Sandy's contact information is Phone: 831-905-7965 or email: sandy.marina@comcast.net. Thank you.

Children and Youth Chair Amanda Nash advises that the Auxiliary will again host a Children's Easter Party for kids aged 12 years and younger, on Saturday, March 26th, 12 Noon to 2 PM at the Post, featuring Crafts, Pizza, and the Easter Bunny! The Egg Hunt will begin at 1:30 PM. For more information on this event please call the Post—831-384-6616 (any day except Tuesday) after 4PM.

Local Students Headed to American Legion Auxiliary California Girls State... Girls State Chairman Sandy Rodrigues reports that Jasia Tan Nicholas of Marina High School and Samantha Lee of Stevenson School have been selected to attend American Legion Auxiliary California Girls State 2016. They were selected based on criteria determined through the Auxiliary Unit and the high school counselors. Nicholas and Lee will study local, county and state government processes in this nonpartisan political learning experience. Every spring, the American Legion Auxiliary California Girls State Program provides over 500 young women with a hands-on educational opportunity designed to instruct tomorrow's leaders in the privileges and duties of responsible citizenship. Good Luck to Jasia and Samantha!



POST & UNIT 694 CALENDAR

For more information, call (831) 384-6616 or web site www.caalpost694.org
MEETINGS 2ND THURSDAY...POST EXEC 6PM...POST/UNIT GENERAL 7:00PM



March 2016

NOTICE

Post 694 now accepts all major credit/debit cards

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 6 pm Board Meeting	3 Hamburger Night 7 pm Ballroom Dancing Lessons	4 Friday Night Dinner	5 4 pm Private Party
6 CLOSED	7 Happy Hour 5-6 pm	8	9 7 pm Marina in Motion	10 Meeting Night Hamburger Night	11 Friday Night Dinner	12 5 pm St Patty's Bunco Dinner 6:30 pm BUNCO
13 CLOSED	14 Happy Hour 5-6 pm Mini Dinner 5:30 pm	15	16 12:45 pm Private Party	17 Hamburger Night ALR Meeting 6 pm	18 Friday Night Dinner 5:30 pm Jerry Woods Going Away Party	19 4 pm Private Party
20 CLOSED	21 Happy Hour 5-6 pm Mini Dinner 5:30 pm	22	23	24 Hamburger Night	25 NO FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER	26 12 pm Children's Easter Party
27 EASTER CLOSED (no community service)	28 Happy Hour 5-6 pm Mini Dinner 5:30 pm	29	30 5 pm MST Meeting	31	Monday Night Dinner For specific menu information please contact the Post at 384-6616 the week prior! Join us for a great meal at the affordable price of \$7 per person	

April 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Friday Night Dinner For specific menu information please contact the Post at 384-6616 for menu selections. Check our website or call the post for up to date times on all events!					1 Friday Night Dinner	2
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