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**American Legion  
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Los Alamitos, CA 90720  
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**Legion Year  
2010-2011**

**ERNIE RODRIQUEZ  
Commander**

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blah and blah blah blah.....you get the point.**

Hello Comrades, Unit, Squadron and Chapter Members;

I would like to wish each and every one of you a happy ...

Valentine's Day,  
Presidents Day,  
St. Patrick's Day,  
Easter,  
and any Birthdays or Anniversaries.

I hope to see as many of you as possible during the great parties and fund raising functions we have lined up for you in the coming months. Please stay tuned to the rest of the newsletter and make your reservations as soon as possible, especially for the Prime Rib Candle lit Valentine's Dinner.

Now on to the serious stuff.

Dear Members, yours truly is getting a bit weary, sometimes I feel like writing the entire newsletter like this:

**Dear Members;**

**Blah blah blah blah blah blah. Oh, and don't forget that**

It just seems that no one is reading or cares about what all the hard working Officers of our Post spend hours on writing about and asking for. I know that some of you believe that the Post is only there for your amusement, and for you to take advantage of, or that the Post is just a good source of cheap drinks and a friendly place to hang out...all these things are partially true, but **the Main reason our Post is there is to help the Veterans, their kids and Widows, along with the Community at large and to do as many programs of the American Legion as possible.** In order to accomplish this we need everyone's help, by actually working a program, volunteering to help where needed or by donating items or money to the Post.

So when we ask you for help it's like you asking your own family for help....**YOU ARE THE POST 716 FAMILY!** I will continue to try and motivate you to get involved and to help your Post in whatever capacity you can. Those of you "Angels" that are already carrying the heavy load for these "less motivated Members" can help me with them too, as you well know, **it feels good to help!**

**FINANCES**

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To all the Members / Owners of the Post 716 Family, we all need to support the Post now more than ever. WE CAN NO LONGER SPEND OR DONATE LIKE WE HAVE BEEN.

If you recall, as of 30 September the Executive Board has recommended freezing all donations, to eliminate the budget and to stop all unnecessary purchases. Also that the monthly mailing of the newsletter be cut down to (4) per year (saving almost \$4000 per year).

I know this is going to be a hardship for some of you that don't have access to electronic mail at home, however most libraries do, all you have to do is tell the Librarian that you want to go to [www.losalamitospost716.org](http://www.losalamitospost716.org). There you will find our website and be able to download our newsletters. For those of you that do have E-mail **just SEND OUR EDITOR YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS**. It's that easy. If you still have a problem please give me a call.

I am asking that we limit the use of the air conditioners and heaters in the hall to special functions only and that we all conserve as much electricity, gas, water, and paper products (cups, napkins trash bags etc.) as possible in the rest of the Post.....**HOWEVER PLEASE USE AS MUCH TOILET PAPER AS NECESSARY TO COMPLETE THE JOB!**

### DONATIONS

We are now asking for your tax deductible donations designated to a special program such as Boys and Girls State (almost \$400 for each kid, we normally try to send 4 boys and 4 girls), in Honor of a certain Member or deceased Member, your personal Family Name, the building fund or the general fund.

I know the economy has been bad; however this is not the time to turn our backs on our Post 716 family. As your Commander, I will make sure that we don't spend more than necessary on anything!

I am very confident that in a few months, with your support we will begin moving in the right direction and again be able to feel safe about donating to the Community and our Legion Programs without fear. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.**

**GET OFF YOUR HANDS, 716.  
GET INVOLVED!!**

### HALL RENTALS

We also need to start aggressively marketing our hall for

rent so please tell your friends and neighbors that we have a nice hall for rent that holds up-to 232 for dinner and 500 for assembly. For rates please call 562-498-8745.

## STILL NEEDED / HELP WANTED

### Post Historian Officer - Vacant

To be in charge of documenting Post functions and activities by film and other means and to keep track of all donation and man hours spent on Legion programs.

### Post Graphic Designer - Vacant

We need a graphic designer to help make the flyers, update website etc. for the different functions around the Post, also to work hand in hand with the public relations Committee of the Post.

### Post Service Officer and Assistant Service Officer - Both Vacant

Service and Assistant Service Officer. Please let me know if you can keep me and the Members apprised of the business of the VA and our benefits.

### Committee Chairmen and Committee — personnel for the following:

#### Americanism Committee Chairman - Vacant

To promote Patriotism around the Post and the community by keeping track of how the flags are displayed around the city and to help with the patriotic decorations around the Post.

#### Children and Youth Committee Chairman - Vacant

To look for ways of helping the young people of Los Alamitos, (especially those of veterans) work with School and Scouts.

#### Oratorical Contest Committee Chairman - Vacant

Need committee personnel from all Units of the Post to assist in forming the Contest by January next year..

#### National Security Committee Chairman - Vacant

To organize the Post for disaster preparedness and assist the community in case of any emergency.

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### Public Relations Committee Chairman - Vacant

To promote our Post via all available media.

### VA and R Committee Chairman - Vacant

Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation to look for ways of assisting our Veterans in and out of the VA Hospital.

### Uniformed Groups Committee Chairman - Vacant

To establish, organize, train, promote and supervise the Post 716 Color / Honor Guard.

### Visiting Committee Chairman - Vacant

To assist the Chaplain (to give comfort to members and their families when sick or hospitalized and to organize Post hopping events).

### Membership Committee Chairman:

1st Vice Cmdr. Chris Neiffer. Develop ways to retain and increase Membership.

### Sports Editor - Vacant

This position can be filled by a member of any organization in the Post who is willing to report on all Los Alamitos School sports, keep us apprised of our Legion Race Car #76 and any other pertinent sports news. Jimmy George has already volunteered to be the roving reporter.

### Cooking Committee Chairman

Mike Driscoll - Need Committee personnel from the Quad Council to look into optimizing the food gathering process and to coordinate the Volunteers to prepare meals more efficiently

### Post Delegates To be nominated in May

To represent Post 716 at District, Area and Department meetings

### MANY OTHER APPOINTMENTS ARE AVAILABLE

Please contact me directly if you are interested in any of these opportunities to do something for your Post. 562-743-2630 11AM-8PM

### PAST COMMANDERS PICTURES

We are still missing a lot of Cmdr's on the wall of Honor. Please help us with pictures or information about

any Cmdr's you may know.

**ALL MEMBERS, IF YOU HAVEN'T DONE SO ALREADY, PLEASE SEND YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS TO [POST716NEWSLETTER@VERIZON.NET](mailto:POST716NEWSLETTER@VERIZON.NET). Do it RIGHT NOW SO YOU CAN RECEIVE YOUR NEWSLETTERS AND ALERTS IN COLOR AND THE MINUTE THEY ARE RELEASED.**

As always please remember our Volunteers....drop a little something in the tip jar, give them a pat on the back or better yet volunteer yourself and give them a break. I'm sure they would like to sit down and relax too. Also any suggestions or moans and groans can be addressed to me or any other Officer.

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**CHRIS NEIFFER  
1st Vice Commander**

Greetings everyone!

Welcome to 2011! I sure hope your 2010 was good for you (and your family). I'm looking forward to 2011 as I hope to do better this year than in the past. I hope your holidays were enjoyable. Anyway, back to Post business.

There are 25 Posts in our District (Dist. 29), and I'm sad to say that our Post is currently sitting around 15th position in membership with a total of 76.08% as of 19 Jan 2010. I know we can do better than that.

First off, I would like to thank those of you that have already paid for your renewal. Second, I will be sending out a reminder to those that have not yet renewed their membership as the year 2010 is officially over at the end of February, 2011. Don't forget that if you don't renew your membership now, you might be losing your continuous years with the Legion, which would mean you start out at 1 year of service all over again. Some Posts will not allow you to be served if you do not have a 2011 card, so if you can, now that the holidays are over, come by the Post and see the Bartender who will gladly accept your payment and give you a receipt, or mail your membership to the Post (address on the front of the Newsletter). Don't let your member-

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ship slip by. Speaking of Bartenders, the Commander has taken my recommendation and has ordered a 100% i.d. check so don't forget your Membership card at home.

The Post has shirts and sweaters that will be on sale shortly. I will be placing them in the display case located in the bar area over by our POW Table. They will range from \$15 to \$25. Simply see me, if I'm there, or ask the Bartender for a shirt/sweater. They will be more than glad to accept your payment! These shirts will help out with our finances for this coming year, so please stop by and look at them.

I would like to wish former District Cmdr. and 716 1st Vice. Johnny Laird, a prayer and hope that his double hip replacement is going well. We haven't been able to see him in the VA Hospital due to time and work load and don't know how much longer he will be there, but if you are at the hospital, please try to look him up! Hope to see you at the Post soon Cmdr.

We have nominations in April and elections in May, so if you have any interest in running, you should start by attending the Post meetings and making sure your Membership status is current.

One last note and that is about addresses. If you have moved over the past year or maybe two years, please send us your change of address so we can get it updated in the Department's address books and our logs! I have seen quite a few of the newsletters, not to mention membership cards, that have been mailed out according to the address on record, and come back saying its undeliverable. Please make sure your address is current. Thanks.

Hope to see everyone at the Post! Have a great year and don't forget your loved ones this month for Valentine's Day!

Respectfully,

Chris Neiffer  
1st Vice Commander  
USN Retired!



### Letter to editor

Hello,

I am a concerned member who attends most of the Post Functions, whether it's the Post, Auxiliary or the Son's event. What I'm concerned about is that you, the member, do not really appreciate the members that give their time to prep, cook, serve and clean up the events that you've come to love!

Let me give you one simple example. During the last Breakfast that the Post put on, I assisted in the prepping, serving and clean up of the meal. During the meal, I heard great comments about how the food was, how people were walking around and picking up the empty dirty plates off tables so you, the member, did not have to get up and take them over to the kitchen area.

These were great comments, BUT, what I didn't see was your gratitude toward those members who gave up their time to put the event on! Some of these members were there at 7 am (Breakfast doesn't start until 9) and prepped the food, set the tables up with condiments, chopped the fruit, etc....

When you go out to a restaurant, and you pay your bill, most of the time you leave either \$3 or \$4 or more, on the table for the Waiter/Waitress, or the tip is 15% of your bill. Even when you go to a buffet type meal, you put money on the table for the person who is busing your table. You do this without thinking most of the time, yet when you come down to the Post and you see your members running their backside off to give you that wonderful meal, you simply ignore the 'Tip' bucket at the window or door. Last breakfast, they had over 71 people enjoy that fabulous meal, yet there was less than \$15 in tips.

The tips is a way to say 'Thanks' to those that do spend their own time helping out. It seems that there are not enough people to help out though and that it's the same people over and over that do help. Let's show them that their time and effort to give us, and you, the member, a great time and meal is not overlooked and to say "THANKS".

A Concerned Member

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### AUXILIARY NEWS

**MARY HERNANDEZ**  
**Unit President**

Happy Valentine's Day!!

Dear members and friends,

A big THANK YOU to all of you that generously donated to the various projects we had over the Holidays, I am always in awe of all of you ladies; when we ask for your help you always come through.

Roberta Tuggle and Cindy Miranda organized a drive within the Los Alamitos school district, five schools participated in collecting clothing and very much needed personal hygiene items. Thanks to you, the Hospitalized veterans will have plenty of socks, sweatshirts, etc. to keep them warm.

We have two very special ladies in our Unit that deserve to be recognized. Deborah Driscoll and Tami Bell have organized a weekly hot meal program for the PIER center at the VA Hospital. Every week Deborah prepares a meal and Tami delivers it to them; this is no easy endeavor but with Deborah's "magical" powers when it comes to preparing a meal for 30-40 veterans on a shoestring and Tami's boundless energy this happens every week. If you would like to contribute to this program, please see Deborah—all the help you can give us is appreciated.

We are offering scholarships for deserving students headed for college or already in college; please see me for details and/or applications.

Save the Date!!!

February 11th, we are planning a very special "Valentine's Day" Prime Rib dinner for all of you, (see flyer for details). Invite your Valentine, family and friends to spend a fun night with great food and music.

Calling all members.....

Don't be shy, if you would like to volunteer, we can always use the extra help. Our dinners are 2nd Friday; Pearl Harbor survivors luncheon is the last Sunday, 1st Mar. Div. SOS dinner the 3rd Wednesday of every month. We also have special functions throughout the year, please let us know!!!!

You are invited to our next meeting Monday February 14 at 7pm, see you then.

Please, Thank A Veteran!!!  
Until next time.

Mary Hernandez  
Unit 716 President

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### JR. AUXILIARY NEWS

First off, I wanted to update everyone on the success of the Super Bowl in Iraq project. Thanks to the generous donations of food and money from members of our Post, we were able to send 75 pounds of decorations and goodies to three different battalions - a little piece of home from all of us. I am so proud of the generosity that is shown with projects like these - it embodies the true spirit of our organization. A special thanks to our anonymous donor for the \$100 bill - it went towards postage, and was much appreciated. Kudos to Cindy Mayfield - this project was her idea. Kudos to all of you for making it happen.

Junior Auxiliary member Hannah Janji has completed Sea Scout boot camp - this is quite an accomplishment, as it was no week of frolics, but rather an intensive program based on regular military protocol. Mom tells us that children from all over the Western United States attempted to finish this program, and many did not - one was even sent home for not having his kit bag packed properly. Hannah toughed it up, stuck it out, made rank, and is now a full-fledged Sea Scout.

As for the rest of the girls, we have not seen that much of each other, as most of us were hit with the holiday season cold bug, but we have still managed to keep our troop box project going. The Super Bowl project was post-wide, and so we are not including those boxes in our count, but aside from that, we are up to 35 comfort kits, with another 8 that will be assembled at the meeting on Monday - we have 8 individual soldiers and three battalions we are trying to reach, with our goal of 100 kits by July. We are still accepting donations, as our supplies are getting low, so if you see something that would be great to include in a box, add

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it to your shopping cart and drop it off to me at the bar. If we can do 10 kits a month, we will make our goal. A note to all – I am not responsible for my darling husband's sales tactics. He has been so great about helping us with our Tuesday cookie sales, which support the mailing of these boxes, so when he puts the bite on you to buy a bag of cookies or a cupcake, just remember it's going to a good cause.

Schedule permitting, we are planning another big Junior dinner in May – we will be shifting the date a bit, and have dinner on May 5 – Jeff Puhl and I are planning another contest meal, this one based on another of our favorite foodie shows. The girls will choose the ingredients, and Jeff and I must make something delectable from those choices. I hope to make this dinner a great party, and would like to invite all to come out, have fun, and vote for your favorite meal. Watch for further information next month or so – the girls have some planning to do.

One more thing – New Junior member Susie is also a Girl Scout, and those of you that need your fix of Girl Scout cookies can order your favorites now – you know that if you wait, you won't get your Thin Mints. Orders must be in by Feb 19<sup>th</sup>, so if you need info or orders, see me at the bar.

Best wishes to all  
Deborah Driscoll – Junior Activities Chairman

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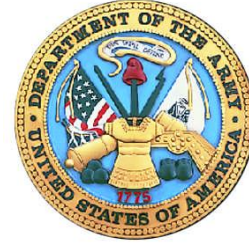
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### Welcoming Home a Fallen Hero — January 25, 2011

**SPC. Jose A. Torre Jr.**

**June 16, 1989 to  
January 15, 2011**



SPC Jose A. Torre, Jr., 21, A Garden Grove resident and 2007 Pacifica graduate, died January 15 from injuries after insurgents attached his unit with a rocket-propelled grenade in Bagdad.

At 10.35 a.m. Tuesday, January 28, an airplane brought a casket bearing Torre's body to the Joint Forces Training base in Los Alamitos. His family members walked over to the flight line to a cart on which the casket was placed, draped with the Stars and Stripes.

Torre's family members stood around the casket while his grandfather became emotional, leaned over and rested his head on the casket for a minute.

A hearse then drove to Pacifica High School where all of the students lined the street to pay their respects to the fallen hero, who was one of them not too long ago. The hearse stopped briefly outside the school where the band played the alma mater. Members of the varsity wrestling team, which Torre was a part of during his time in Pacifica, stood in front.

Laura Herzog, spokeswoman for the Joint Forces Training Base, told students gathered around her that the Torre family is overwhelmed by the support they have received from the community and from Pacifica High School.

Also present at the base was Marlon Chinchilla, brother of 22 year old Yorba Linda native, Marine Cpl. Claudio Patino IV, who was killed in Afghanistan's Helmand Province June 22. Chinchilla said he came to show his family's support for the Torre family.



Additional video and pictures are on the web:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UUDtJkwh4GQ>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wQULxQAnK6w>

<http://www.ocregister.com/articles/torre-285564-pacifica-family.html?pic=1>


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# February 2011

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
	<b>Valentines Dinner on Friday, February 11, with a Prime Rib Dinner</b>	<b>1</b> <b>TACO TUESDAY 5PM-8PM</b>  <i>Pool League 7:30PM ..... Come Cheer On Our Team</i>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> <b>Happy Food 5-7pm</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Auxiliary Jewelry Party 4PM  <b>FREE POOL - ALL DAY ON TABLE 1</b>	
<b>6</b> <i>Legion Riders Pancake Breakfast 8am-11am \$5 at the door \$4 with reservation</i>  <b>Super Bowl Party &amp; BBQ Noon til ???</b>	<b>7</b> <b>Happy Food 5-7pm</b>	<b>8</b> <b>TACO TUESDAY 5PM-8PM</b>  <i>Pool League 7:30PM ..... Come Cheer On Our Team</i>	<b>9</b> <b>SON'S MEETING 6PM</b>  <b>All Members In Attendance - Buy 1 Get 1 FREE</b>	<b>10</b> <b>POST MEETING 7PM</b>  <b>All Members In Attendance - Buy 1 Get 1 FREE</b>  <b>Happy Food 5-7pm</b>	<b>11</b> <b>AUXILIARY DINNER 6PM-8PM</b>  <b>Prime Rib Dinner</b>	<b>12</b> <b>FREE POOL - ALL DAY ON TABLE 1</b>	
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> <b>AUXILIARY UNIT MEETING 7PM</b>  <b>All Members In Attendance - Buy 1 Get 1 FREE</b>  <b>Happy Food 5-7pm</b>	<b>15</b> <b>TACO TUESDAY 5PM-8PM</b>  <i>Pool League 7:30PM ..... Come Cheer On Our Team</i>	<b>16</b> <b>1ST MARINE DIV. ASSN. MEETING 7:30PM - Serving SOS from 6PM</b>	<b>17</b> <i>Pool League Captain's Meeting 7pm</i>  <b>Happy Food 5-7pm</b>	<b>18</b> <i>Junior Auxiliary Dinner 6-8pm</i>	<b>19</b> <b>FREE POOL - ALL DAY ON TABLE 1</b>	
<b>20</b> <i>Legion Riders Meeting 8AM</i>  <b>CHAMPAGNE BREAKFAST 9AM-Noon</b>	<b>21</b> <b>Happy Food 5-7pm</b>	<b>22</b> <b>TACO TUESDAY 5PM-8PM</b>  <i>Pool League 7:30PM ..... Come Cheer On Our Team</i>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> <i>E-Board Meeting 6:00PM</i>  <b>Happy Food 5-7pm</b>	<b>25</b> <b>SON'S STEAK DINNER w/ SALAD BAR 6PM-8PM with Karaoke</b>	<b>26</b> <i>Battleground Pro Wrestling 8pm</i>  <b>FREE POOL - ALL DAY ON TABLE 1</b>	
<b>27</b> <i>Pearl Harbor Survivors Meeting</i>	<b>28</b> <b>Happy Food 5-7pm</b>						<b>Come join your fellow Legion members for the Super Bowl Party at the Post starting at Noon. Dring specials, prize drawings, pot luck, Post will provide BBQ with Hot Dogs and Hamburgers.</b>



# March 2011

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 St. Patrick's Day with Killen's Corned Beef and Cabbage for \$1		<b>1</b> <b>TACO TUESDAY</b> <b>5PM-8PM</b>  <i>Pool League</i> 7:30PM ..... Come Cheer On Our Team	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> <b>Happy Food</b> <b>5-7pm</b>	<b>4</b> Junior Auxiliary Dinner 6pm-8pm	<b>5</b> Auxiliary Spring Boutique  <b>FREE POOL -</b> <b>ALL DAY ON</b> <b>TABLE 1</b>
<b>6</b> <i>Legion Riders</i> Pancake Breakfast 8am-11am \$5 at the door \$4 with reservation	<b>7</b> <b>Happy Food</b> <b>5-7pm</b>	<b>8</b> <b>TACO TUESDAY</b> <b>5PM-8PM</b>  <i>Pool League</i> 7:30PM ..... Come Cheer On Our Team	<b>9</b> <b>SON'S MEETING</b> <b>6PM</b>  <i>All Members In</i> <i>Attendance -</i> <i>Buy 1 Get 1</i> <i>FREE</i>	<b>10</b> <b>POST MEETING</b> <b>7PM</b>  <i>All Members In</i> <i>Attendance - Buy</i> <i>1 Get 1 FREE</i>  <b>Happy Food</b> <b>5-7pm</b>	<b>11</b> <b>AUXILIARY DINNER</b> <b>6PM-8PM</b>  Shepperd's Pie Dinner	<b>12</b> <b>FREE POOL -</b> <b>ALL DAY ON</b> <b>TABLE 1</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> <b>AUXILIARY UNIT MEETING</b> <b>7PM</b>  <i>All Members In</i> <i>Attendance - Buy</i> <i>1 Get 1 FREE</i>  <b>Happy Food</b> <b>5-7pm</b>	<b>15</b> <b>TACO TUESDAY</b> <b>5PM-8PM</b>  <i>Pool League</i> 7:30PM ..... Come Cheer On Our Team	<b>16</b> 1ST MARINE DIV. ASSN. MEETING 7:30PM - Serving SOS from 6PM	<b>17</b> St. Patrick's Day with Killen's \$1 Corned Beef and Cabbage	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Anthony Gale --- 1st Marine Division  <b>FREE POOL -</b> <b>ALL DAY ON</b> <b>TABLE 1</b>
<b>20</b> <i>Legion Riders</i> Meeting 8AM  <b>CHAMPAGNE</b> <b>BREAKFAST</b> <b>9AM-Noon</b>	<b>21</b> <b>Happy Food</b> <b>5-7pm</b>	<b>22</b> <b>TACO TUESDAY</b> <b>5PM-8PM</b>  <i>Pool League</i> 7:30PM ..... Come Cheer On Our Team	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> <b>Happy Food</b> <b>5-7pm</b>	<b>25</b> <b>SON'S STEAK</b> <b>DINNER w/</b> <b>SALAD BAR</b> <b>6PM-8PM with</b> <b>Karaoke</b>	<b>26</b> <b>FREE POOL -</b> <b>ALL DAY ON</b> <b>TABLE 1</b>
<b>27</b> <i>Pearl Harbor</i> <i>Survivors</i> <i>Meeting</i>	<b>28</b> <b>Happy Food</b> <b>5-7pm</b>	<b>29</b> <b>TACO TUESDAY</b> <b>5PM-8PM</b>  <i>Pool League</i> 7:30PM ..... Come Cheer On Our Team	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> E-Board Meeting 6:00PM  <b>Happy Food</b> <b>5-7pm</b>	 Auxiliary's Dinner on Mach 11th - Shepherd's Pie Dinner	



# April 2011

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>The Legion Riders have a monthly pancake breakfast on the 1st Sunday of the month.</p>						<p><b>1</b></p> <p><b>2</b></p> <p><b>FREE POOL - ALL DAY ON TABLE 1</b></p>
<p><b>3</b></p> <p>Legion Riders Pancake Breakfast 8am-11am \$5 at the door \$4 with reservation</p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p><b>Happy Food 5-7pm</b></p>	<p><b>5</b></p> <p><b>TACO TUESDAY 5PM-8PM</b></p> <p>Pool League 7:30PM ..... Come Cheer On Our Team</p>	<p><b>6</b></p>	<p><b>7</b></p> <p><b>Happy Food 5-7pm</b></p>	<p><b>8</b></p> <p><b>AUXILIARY DINNER 6PM-8PM</b></p> <p>Big Fish Fry Dinner</p>	<p><b>9</b></p> <p><b>FREE POOL - ALL DAY ON TABLE 1</b></p>
<p><b>10</b></p>	<p><b>11</b></p> <p><b>AUXILIARY UNIT MEETING 7PM</b></p> <p>All Members In Attendance - Buy 1 Get 1 FREE</p> <p>Happy Food 5-7pm</p>	<p><b>12</b></p> <p><b>TACO TUESDAY 5PM-8PM</b></p> <p>Pool League 7:30PM ..... Come Cheer On Our Team</p>	<p><b>13</b></p> <p><b>SON'S MEETING 6PM</b></p> <p>All Members In Attendance - Buy 1 Get 1 FREE</p>	<p><b>14</b></p> <p><b>POST MEETING 7PM</b></p> <p>All Members In Attendance - Buy 1 Get 1 FREE</p> <p>Happy Food 5-7pm</p>	<p><b>15</b></p> <p>Junior Auxiliary Dinner 6-8pm</p>	<p><b>16</b></p> <p><b>FREE POOL - ALL DAY ON TABLE 1</b></p>
<p><b>17</b></p> <p>Legion Riders Meeting 8AM</p> <p>CHAMPAGNE BREAKFAST 9AM-Noon</p>	<p><b>18</b></p> <p><b>Happy Food 5-7pm</b></p>	<p><b>19</b></p> <p><b>TACO TUESDAY 5PM-8PM</b></p> <p>Pool League 7:30PM ..... Come Cheer On Our Team</p>	<p><b>20</b></p> <p>1ST MARINE DIV. ASSN. MEETING 7:30PM - Serving SOS from 6PM</p>	<p><b>21</b></p> <p><b>Happy Food 5-7pm</b></p>	<p><b>22</b></p>	<p><b>23</b></p> <p><b>FREE POOL - ALL DAY ON TABLE 1</b></p> <p>Battleground Pro Wrestling 8pm</p>
<p><b>24</b></p> <p>Pearl Harbor Survivors Meeting</p>	<p><b>25</b></p> <p><b>Happy Food 5-7pm</b></p>	<p><b>26</b></p> <p><b>TACO TUESDAY 5PM-8PM</b></p> <p>Pool League 7:30PM ..... Come Cheer On Our Team</p>	<p><b>27</b></p>	<p><b>28</b></p> <p>E-Board Meeting 6:00PM</p> <p><b>Happy Food 5-7pm</b></p>	<p><b>29</b></p> <p><b>SON'S STEAK DINNER w/ SALAD BAR 6PM-8PM with Karaoke</b></p>	<p><b>30</b></p> <p><b>FREE POOL - ALL DAY ON TABLE 1</b></p>

# SUPER BOWL



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6 FEBRUARY

**FUN STARTS AT 12:00 PM**

**KIDS AND PUBLIC WELCOME**

**JOIN US FOR A SUPERBOWL BASH!**

**DRINK SPECIALS---(MEMBERS ONLY)**

**POT LUCK MUNCHIES / PRIZE DRAWINGS**

**(7) HDTV'S (1) 100 INCH HDTV SCREEN**

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# Valentine's

**Prime Rib Fundraiser**  
**Friday, 11 February**

**PUBLIC WELCOME 7:00 PM**

## Special love Menu

*Slow roasted Prime Rib, massaged and covered in AU JUS*

*Scalloped potatoes*

*Vegetables*

*Caesar salad with Hot Buttered Buns*

*and Featuring our*

*Homemade Heart Shaped LOVE CAKES for dessert*

*Donation \$10.00 prepaid (by Thursday 10 Feb.) \$12.00 at door*

**ONLY \$20 PER COUPLE if you pre-pay!!!**

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**Karaoke and fun till 11pm+++**



## WISH LIST FOR VAMC, LONG BEACH 2010 — 2011

### **ALWAYS NEEDED:**

Travel sized personal care items (no bar soap)  
Toothbrushes & Toothpaste  
Deodorant (men's AND women's)  
Shampoo  
Body wash      Liquid hand soap  
Lotion  
Chap stick (PABA free)  
Denture cleaner      Denture adhesive  
Kleenex (individual packages)  
Nail clippers (for fingers & toes)  
Body powder  
Shaving cream      Safety razors  
Shower shoes (flip flops)  
White socks (all sizes)  
Sweats—shirts & pants (sizes med, large & x-tra large)  
T-shirts — (sizes med, large & x-tra large)  
Boxer shorts — (sizes med, large & x-tra large)  
Notepads (3x5 & 5x8)      Pens      Pencils  
Back scratchers  
Back packs      Playing cards      Puzzle books

### **FOR WOMEN'S HEALTH CLINIC:**

Diaper bags  
Baby albums  
Gift cards to Target  
Underwear (all sizes)

### **FOR ELDERLY PATIENTS:**

Pill box key rings (to encourage medication compliance)

### **FOR COMMUNITY LIVING CENTER:** (formerly "Nursing Home")

Playing cards  
Board games  
Crafts  
Individually wrapped snacks & juices

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## WISH LIST FOR VAMC, LONG BEACH—continued 2010 — 2011

### **FOR SEVERE MENTAL HEALTH AREAS:**

(approx. 80 patients at any given time)

CASH—donated through Voluntary Services—used for parking & admission fees to weekly outings such as the zoo, bowling, & to get haircuts

### **FOR VOCATIONAL REHAB THERAPY:**

SawStop 10" tablesaw

E-Cycler Cordless Mower

Router table with cabinet, router motor & lift

Powermatic Model 1792800 drill press

Dewalt 13" planer Model DW735 with stand

HP printer

Delta Midi-Lathe Model 46-460 with stand

Delta variable speed grinder Model # 268-0450

Multi bead chisel set

Finger grip chisel

Four (4) piece beading chisel set

### **FOR MUSIC PROGRAM:**

Guitars

Bass guitars

Drums

Keyboards

Brass instruments

Wind instruments

### **FOR WOMEN'S MENTAL HEALTH:** (for crafting projects)

Beads (all sorts, sizes & styles)

Beading wire and any & all accessories to make jewelry

Fabric paints (all colors)

Crochet thread

Yarn (all sizes & colors)

Colored pencils

Individually wrapped snacks & juices

**ALL DONATIONS SHOULD BE TAKEN DIRECTLY TO VOLUNTARY SERVICES AND INDICATE WHICH DEPARTMENT YOU WISH THE DONATION TO GO TO. BE SURE TO GET A RECEIPT FOR ANY DONATIONS!**

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### MEALS AT THE POST

Feb. 6 ..... Legion Riders Pancake Breakfast  
Feb. 11 .... Auxiliary Prime Rib Dinner  
Feb. 18 .... Jr Auxiliary Dinner  
Feb. 20 .... Legion Champagne Breakfast  
Feb. 25 .... Son's Steak Dinner  
Mar. 4 ..... Jr Auxiliary Dinner  
Mar. 6 ..... Legion Riders Pancake Breakfast  
Mar. 11 .... Auxiliary Shepherd's Pie Dinner  
Mar. 17 .... St. Patrick Corned Beef Dinner  
Mar. 20 .... Legion Champagne Breakfast  
Mar. 25 .... Son's Steak Dinner

MAILING LABEL

### **OPERATING HOURS:**

Daily: 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. (7) Day a Week, 365 Days a Year  
Third Sunday for All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast Buffet: 9:00 a.m.  
Happy Hours-Daily: 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. (except during special functions)

**MEETINGS:** ALL MEMBERS get a BUY ONE GET ONE FREE at the bar after all meetings

Post Membership Meeting: 2nd Thursday of the month @ 7:00 pm  
Post Auxiliary Meeting: 2nd Monday of the month @ 7:00 p.m.  
Post Sons Meeting: 2nd Wednesday of the month @ 6:00 p.m.  
Legion Riders: 3rd Sunday of the month @ 8:00am

### **KILLEN'S BAR:**

Bartenders: Mary - Barbara - Deborah - Crystal - Jackie  
Hall Rental Manager: Ernie Rodriguez

### **DUES:**

Legion Membership Dues: \$35.00  
Auxiliary Dues: \$20.00 ((Juniors \$3.00)  
Sons Squadron: \$20.00 (Juniors \$10.00)  
Legion Riders Chapter: \$100.00 first year then \$35.00



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