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**Joe Petrini**  
2011-2012 Commander

### George Washington Birthday Luncheon for the Wounded Warriors at Liberty Center, NMCS D

The George Washington Birthday Luncheon was held on Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Liberty Center at NMCS D. The MOPH and LAMOPH of San Diego hosted the event.

Gift bags were given to 44 Wounded Warriors. They included information about the MOPH, an application to the MOPH, a pen, an apple and a \$10 iTunes card. The gift bags from the Forever Stamp Ceremony were used. In addition there were 19 Chapter and Unit members present. The California LAMOPH Department provided the funding for the luncheon. The following vendors donated to the luncheon, and we ask that you please patronize these vendors who so graciously donated.

#### **Edelweiss Bakery - 2 Locations**

Mira Mesa 858-578-6777  
8270-B Mira Mesa Blvd  
San Diego, CA 92126

Rancho Bernardo 858-487-4338  
Westwood Shopping Center  
11639 Duenda Road  
San Diego, CA 92127

#### **Landini's Pizza, Little Italy 619-238-3502**

1827 India Street  
San Diego, CA 92101

Edelweiss Bakery donated a beautiful and tasty sheet cake and Landini's Pizza provided a 10% discount. Miramar MCAS Commissary donated apples.

Following are photos from the Washington's Birthday Luncheon with the Wounded Warriors:



Sheet cake from Edelweiss



Laura Merrill, Barbara & George Waller setting up



Wounded Warriors being served by Linda Todd



Joe Guerra, Bob Holloway & Wounded Warriors



Oscar Polster, Jack Harkins Wounded Warriors



Wounded Warriors, Max Tadlock, George Waller



Wounded Warriors, Steve Marquart



After the Service was Done - Debbie Potts, Judy Tadlock, Laura Merrill, Diane Petriani

Photography courtesy of Toby Todd

## BINGO!

Bingo at the VA Medical Center San Diego is March 29, 6:00 pm for volunteers, we need to bring the patients to the recreation room and set up. Games begin at 7:00 pm. If you can join us, please let me know, Joe Petrini [JPetrini@PetriniRealty.com](mailto:JPetrini@PetriniRealty.com) or 619-379-2507

## CHAPTER ELECTIONS!

At our next meeting, April 7 at the Veterans Museum & Memorial Center we will be holding our Annual Election of Officers for the Chapter. We held nominations at our March meeting, but there is still an opportunity to run for office or nominate additional candidates. During our next meeting, nominations will be opened, following will be our election. We need your vote and support to select the leaders you want who will take our Chapter into the future. The current slate nominated at our last meeting is as follows:

<b>Elected Position</b>	<b>Nominee/Candidate</b>	<b>Phone</b>
Commander	Joe Petrini	619-379-2507
Sr. Vice Commander	Jack R. Harkins	619-804-3200
Jr. Vice Commander	Oscar Polster	619-895-4790
Finance Officer	Robert Hernandez	619-208-2893
Judge Advocate	Tom Adams	619-465-0080
Sergeant-at-Arms	George Waller	619-264-6659
3 Year Trustee	André LeCault	858-451-9859

## TAKE A HIKE! With Chaplain Bob Holloway, Master Hiker

**On Sunday, April 22, 2012** Patriot Bob Holloway has agreed to lead a hike at Mission Trails Regional Park. As many of you know, Chaplain Bob is a fully trained guide at Mission Trails Park. He has selected a trail that would be an "easy" hike for our members. The route will be around part of Kumeyaay Lake and onto the Grasslands down river to the Old Mission Dam. We will return to the parking area for final. Along the way, Hike Master Bob will tell about the Indians that lived in this area 2000 years ago and now form the Kumeyaay Nation. The hike should take 1 1/2 hours and cover about the same distance.

All you need is some water, a hat, some substantial shoes, some sun screen (#30) and the willingness to laugh at Bob's jokes. Boots on the ground at **08:30 AM**. Call Bob before 8:30 PM at (619) 417-2459 to sign up or with any questions. This is an easy hike and almost all flat and level. Patriots, ladies and children welcome.....It's not the destination.....It's the journey.

### Directions:

From Friars Road...going east becomes Mission Gorge Road in Grantville. Continue east several miles past Jackson Drive (traffic light), past Golfcrest (traffic light)---going uphill---to Father Junipero Serra Road (traffic light). Make sure you pass Golfcrest. Stay on Mission Gorge Road to the traffic light at Father Junipero Serra Road. Turn left and go about 100 yards to the entrance to Kumeyaay Lake Camp Grounds. There is parking to your right. Follow the signs. Hike Master Bob will meet you at the entrance building at 8:30. Please don't be late.

*"We don't accomplish anything in this world alone ...and whatever happens is the result of the whole tapestry of one's life and all the weavings of individual threads from one to another that creates something." ....Sandra Day O'Connor*

## **WE CAN HELP!**

MOPH was formed to provide fellowship, camaraderie with others who have shared experience, to assist our brethren in need, those who have served, those now serving, and their families. Further, our objectives include promotion of patriotism. Currently we have about \$2,000 in our Welfare account, thanks to our member's generosity during our fund drive last year. Those funds are for the explicit use of helping veterans and active duty military when they are faced with an emergency such as groceries, electricity, heat, shelter or other necessities. The funds don't do any good sitting in our account, so if you have a need or know of someone who is experiencing a financial emergency, please contact any one of our Officers and we'll help.

### **Ladies Auxiliary Unit 49 News**

The Unit Elections will be held during our April Meeting. I encourage each of you to attend the meeting to nominate fellow members, consider being part of the Leadership Team and to vote. Each of us makes a difference!

A special thanks to Barbara Waller and Laura Merrill for their hard work in making the George Washington Luncheon for the Wounded Warriors such a success! And thanks to Sr. Vice Commander Jack Harkins who made arrangements with the Wounded Warrior Battalion.

Thanks to each of you for all of your efforts in helping our Veterans.

Please encourage all wives, mothers, daughters, sisters and grandchildren to join the LAMOPH.

### **Menifee Lakes Women's Golf "Salute to the Troops"**

Menifee Lakes Women's Golf Club is hosting its annual member guest golf tournament on Thursday, May 10, 2012. Last year, 12 Wounded Warriors were invited. We were able to recruit 8 soldiers from the Wounded Warrior Battalion and 4 Chapter members to be guests for the day. This is not a charity tournament, just the ladies invitational. We start the day with a continental breakfast, and then the men play 18 holes of golf with the Ladies' husbands while the ladies play their tournament. At the end, everyone convenes in the clubhouse for lunch.

#### **Meeting Place and Dates:**

Sunny Jones Chapter of the MOPH has moved its meeting location to:

*Veterans Museum & Memorial Center (VMMC)*

*2115 Park Boulevard*

*San Diego, CA 92101*

**The meeting dates are now:**

**The first Saturday of the month.**

**Meeting time:** "Potluck Lunch" 12:00 p.m. – 12:45 p.m. Meeting: 12:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**Our next meeting at the new location will be on April 7, 2012.**

The VMMC offers ample parking and is "handicap accessible." We think the central location of Balboa Park, great parking, and accessibility make the location ideal. We are hoping to see more of our members able to attend.

**We wish the following Patriots, Ladies Auxiliary & Associate Members a Very Happy Birthday!**

March 2	Ruben Platero	March 30	Francis Burger
March 2	Tom Adams	March 31	G. Willie Freiheit
March 2	George Rapciewicz, Jr.	March 31	Harrison Makeever
March 4	Shirley Pratt	March 31	Michael Rozga
March 5	Rex Scott	April 1	Ernest Collier
March 6	Ray Owen	April 1	Kenneth Cilch
March 8	Latrisha Hernandez	April 2	Maurice Waters
March 10	Adam Henson	April 2	Cheryl Perez
March 11	Gail Achen	April 4	Akil Crawford
March 11	James Green	April 6	Robert Bristow
March 14	William Neudauer	April 10	Esequiel Leos
March 17	Jamal Boubetana	April 10	Jack Cooper
March 19	John LePore	April 12	Michael Wisecup
March 20	Barbara Marquart Glenski	April 15	Thomas Mason
March 20	Robert Olsen	April 15	James Giddens
March 20	Robert Korn	April 16	Ki Kim
March 20	Arthur Smith	April 16	M. David Stewart
March 20	Edward Wittkamper	April 17	Norman Keely
March 21	Bobby Cheatom	April 17	Ronald Greenwood
March 21	John Gray	April 20	Paul Anton
March 24	Roger Jordan	April 21	Louis Trujillo
March 25	Cornelius Love	April 21	John Taylor
March 25	Arthur Weldon	April 23	Henry Andrasovsky
March 27	Stephen Marquart	April 25	George Waller
March 27	Steven Kessler	April 25	Nick Pylypowycz
March 28	Arthur Smith, Sr.	April 28	Donald Richards
March 29	Charles Childers	April 28	Stephen Bates
March 29	Michael James Jacoby	April 29	Raymond Witt

*"Volunteering is the ultimate exercise in democracy. You vote in elections once a year, but when you volunteer, you vote every day about the kind of community you want to live in." Unknown*

*"Practice hope. As hopefulness becomes a habit, you can achieve a permanently happy spirit." ....Norman Vincent Peale*

*"Freedom is hammered out on the anvil of discussion, dissent and debate." ... Hubert H. Humphrey*

*"I hope I shall always possess firmness and virtue enough to maintain what I consider the most enviable of all titles, the character of an honest man." ...George Washington*

*"A man who won't die for something is not fit to live." ...Martin Luther King, Jr.*

*"An honest man can feel no pleasure in the exercise of power over his fellow citizens." .... Thomas Jefferson, letter to John Melish, 1/13, 1813*



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 29, 2012	Bingo at VA Medical Center 6:00 pm
April 7, 2012	MOPH Chapter/Unit #49 Monthly Meeting – <b>Elections!</b>
April 22, 2012	Hike at Mission Trails Regional Park with Chaplain Bob
May 5, 2012	MOPH Chapter/Unit #49 Monthly Meeting
May 10, 2012	Menifee Lakes Women’s Golf “Salute to Our Troops”
June 2, 2012	MOPH Chapter/Unit #49 Monthly Meeting
June 13-16, 2012	Dept CA MOPH Annual Convention in Rohnert Park, CA
August 7-11, 2012	National MOPH Annual Convention in Scottsdale, AZ

### 2011-2012 Board of Directors & Officers

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