



Motorcycle Group

MEETS THIRD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH
AT PINETREE RESTAURANT



Welcomes home Marine

Friday 18 June: Roger Oliver, Roger and Christine Schwartz, Ross Williams, Tom Sawyer, Ralph Jarvis, Jerry Shutz, Mike Flagg, Bob Yeadon, Bill Lewis, and Dale Nulph joined the Patriot Guard Riders in an escort for the remains of LCpl Gavin Brummund who was KIA in Afganistan on June 10.

Saturday 19 June: Al Sickle, Steve Cambra, Laurie Dodson, Jim Anderson, Roger Oliver, Roger and Christine Schwartz, Ross Williams, Ralph Jarvis, and Dale Nulph joined the PGR in a Flag line at the Memorial Service for LCpl Brummund at the Calaveras County Fairground. In the true spirit of VVA, we were honored to honor our fallen Brother. "Never again shall one generation of veterans abandon another", isn't just a slogan. We live by it.

MONTHLY RIDE

On July 3, the MCG will have their monthly ride after which they will meet at 1 p.m. Ron and Laurie Dodson's residence for a barbecue. The Dodson's wish to thank all the members of the



Hundreds of people from Calaveras, Tuolumne, and other areas lined Highway 4 from Copperopolis to Angels Camp on Friday to welcome home LCPL Brummund.

MCG-391 that assisted in making the Sgt. Bobby Rapp Memorial Scholarship Run a success. They have included some non-riders of VVA-391 including Dan and Angela Brown, John Bright, Bill and Doris Dorffi.

The Dodsons are asking for everyone to bring a side dish as she is supplying the meat. As they need to know how many to buy meat for, she's asking for a phone call (536-0336). Their address is 20450 West Walnut Drive off of Racetrack Road in Sonora.

Three Awards, *from page 1*

namVeterans391.org. Also, in April, they elected their first woman veteran as president of their Chapter. Cher Brandt is the only woman veteran who heads up a chapter in California. The award was accepted by Brandt and Dan Brown the immediate past president.

About a year ago, the Chapter started a color newsletter as part of their Outreach to Veterans Program and to get information to its membership. The newsletter is presently selling advertising to pay for production. It is printed by a VVA-391 member at a reduced cost and edited by Life Member George Eldridge. It is distributed to members plus various politicians, media, VVA National and State Council officers. It carries information of other chapters, chapter business, event media releases, member birthdays, a calendar, info on Veterans Affairs benefits, and much more.

Their web site, constructed about 10 years ago has over 100 pages. Brandt said, "There's a wealth of information on the web site. The Site also has a PayPal account so that members can easily join or renews their applications online. It also includes information on the VA Health Benefits at Palo Alto, Livermore and the Sonora VA Clinic. Construction and maintenance of the web site is donated and maintained by George Eldridge, a life member and the site averages 23,000 visits per month.

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