

# McCall In Marina

by  
Council Member  
Dave McCall

*Protect, Preserve, Progress*



to do it.

About a month ago, due to the slow down in the economy, the Marina City Council decided to extend the time given to the Dunes developers to build more stores, restaurants, a hotel and a ten-screen Century Theater. I have faith this project is going to come to fruition and I know deep in my heart that Marina needs this project. This next phase will bring more than just buildings. It will bring jobs and additional sales tax revenue to the general fund. It will increase the redevelopment dollars that we can use on other projects. It will help fund our police and fire departments

included signatures from the heads of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Military Order of the Purple Heart, and Liberty Institute and the veterans counsel for Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP.

"It is time for the President to intervene and restore this tribute to our World War I veterans which stood as a testament to their sacrifice for over 75 years," Hill said. "After its reaffirmation by the highest court in the land, its clandestine removal by thieves cries out for its immediate replacement."

This spring, the U.S. Supreme Court overruled lower federal courts' decisions to tear down the memorial because of a misplaced belief that it was a religious icon on federal land. Soon after the ruling, the memorial was ripped down

and help keep our taxes and insurance lower. Most importantly, it will bring additional shopping opportunities to our citizens. I knew that we would get the restaurants and stores, but I never imagined we would get a ten-screen Century Theater. And I was disappointed that the project only received three votes in support of the extension by the City Council.

The proposed tax measures that were to go to the people on this November's ballot only received three votes of support from the City Council. Last years budget for the City only received three votes in support, and I am speculating that the 2010/2011-city budget will only receive three votes in support. Whether or not the people will get to vote on the proposed 1% sales tax is still undetermined, as it requires four votes from the City Council. What does this mean for Marina? It means that the citizens may not have any say in how we balance our budget shortfall come November, nor will the City Council receive any true direction from the citizens.

and carried away by vandals.

"This act was abhorrent and constitutes a federal crime under the Veterans' Memorial Preservation and Recognition Act of 2003. And it defies the rule of law, flouting a binding decision of the U.S. Supreme Court," the letter states. "If Arlington National Cemetery were similarly desecrated, that desecration would be rectified immediately, and rightly so. Unfortunately, however, the National Park Service and the Department of Justice are refusing our request to replace the stolen memorial."

The letter goes on to state that the National Park Service hasn't restored the memorial because it is complying with a lower court order, which in their interpretation, the Supreme Court decision did not fully address. Henry Sandoz,

Yes, the seemingly impossible takes a little longer, and I believe that the City Council will eventually solve the budget's \$4.1 million gap. Do I think it will be this Council? No. It will take a Council with vision; it will take a Council with a budget plan; it will take a council that can work together as a team.

In sports, it is sometimes necessary to make changes to the line up. If a winning **TEAM** is what we are looking for, then it is time to make a change. A **TEAM** working together can achieve the impossible.

And, finally, it will take a community engaged in asking questions of City Council members, making their wants and needs known, and choosing whom they want to make the impossible happen.

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Marina City Council

the caretaker of the memorial for the last 26 years, has built an exact replica of what was torn down and is ready to reinstall it.

"This impasse is at a point where we now need your intervention as our nation's leader, Mr. President, on decisive action to direct restoration of the memorial to its original form," the letter reads. "It is in your power to direct the National Park Service and the Department of Justice to immediately restore the Memorial. And, on behalf of our nation's veterans, we humbly ask you to do so, as Commander in Chief and as the sole officer constitutionally charged to take care that the laws are faithfully executed."

Anyone who wants to sign their name onto the letter can do so at <http://www.putthecrossback.com/>.

# Legion to President Obama: Restore Mojave cross

INDIANAPOLIS (June 14, 2010) – A letter signed by The American Legion is asking President Barack Obama to restore the Mojave Desert Veterans Memorial cross.

The letter, which also copied U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder, was signed by National Commander Clarence Hill and also

# Ahoy Mariner Fans!

By  
Laura Alvarez



Ahoy Mariner Fans!!! Summer Break is here!!! This time of year is typically "Shore Leave". However, this year some Mariners have accepted a reassignment, a new "Tour of Duty". Typically this has always been

my favorite part of the school year and after time apart we would be together once again. Preparations for new the recruits at Marina High School are underway where they will be welcomed by all. The First day of school has always

been my secret, favorite day of the year. Before we depart there are many friends and partners to thank.

The Marina High School PTSA would like to extend a heartfelt "Thank You" to our Community Partners and Sponsors for all your contributions, your generosity, your support and dedication to Marina High School. All of your support has truly been invaluable and greatly appreciated.

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We would also like to thank all the PTSA members, Parents, Alumni and underclassmen volunteers who helped set up, clean up and work at the "First" Marina High School Sober Grad Night event. Because of you we had the one of the best nights of our lives!!!

I am so looking forward

to going to Monterey Peninsula College !!! New adventures new challenges and friends to be made. We will be seeing new names and faces in our Mariner Corner coming soon. We will be introducing them to you shortly. For those of you asking for my picture I have included one of my favorites for you. For the mean time I will continue to share my Mariner Spirit...

First Mate, Laura Alvarez

Sailing off for now... Go Mariners!!!

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