

ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

Martinez Refining Company



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MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND SAVE THE DATES FOR 2026 EVENTS!

June 16th, 2026, Tuesday	Alumni BBQ Picnic
July 25th, Saturday	Bocce Tournament
September 10th, 2026, Thursday	Chili Bingo Honoring our Veterans
October 3rd. Saturday - Tentative	Scrapbooking Event—All Day—Please RSVP your interest
November 12th, 2026, Thursday	Toys for Tots

Annual Alumni Picnic on 6/16—Kinder's BBQ

Not too late to sign up to attend the event on 6/16 if you haven't already done so. RSVP's due by June 8th. Remember, see the flier, children and grandchildren are invited. Hope to see you there. The Kinder's BBQ lunch is always scrumptious. We do have some games for the kids that attend.

Martinez Fourth of July Parade Volunteers

MRC and the Alumni are looking for volunteers to assist with the Martinez 4th of July parade this year. The Alumni are looking for volunteers to help decorate the flat bed show casing the 1913 Mack Truck from the Museum and possibly ride in the truck. Please let me know if you are interested in participating in this event.

Calling all Scrapbookers

Tentative Event for October 3rd if we have enough folks interested that sign up. If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to mrcmtzalumni22@gmail.com with the number of folks (names and an email address for contact) that will be in your group. This event will be hosted by Alumni with Dina Cotten as the host. This is an all day Saturday event. If you have questions, please let me or Dina know.

2026 ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIPS

The Annual Bob Gotelli Scholarship Luncheon that was held at Zio Fraedo's in Pleasant Hill on May 4th was a combined ceremony partnering with the Shell Western States Federal Credit Union, as has been done in previous years. We had a great turnout at the lunch to congratulate the recipients and meet their families. Michael Gonzalez presented the awards to the recipients. The appetizers and meals were delicious and the social mingling enjoyed by all. Some of the photos taken are being shared in the newsletter, thanks to Jon Marangoni. Additional photos are available at this [link](#).

Thanks to everyone who attended and supported the Alumni. Also, a special thanks to Michael Gonzalez for doing the presentations this year and to Jeff Facer, John and Tracy Wellner, and Jon Marangoni for their support of the event!

The raffle ticket sales netted \$210 for the scholarship fund. The winners of the raffle prizes were: Jack Vaeth—1st place \$50, Alan Robbins and Donna Abbott for 2nd and 3rd place for \$25 each. Thanks again!

Congratulations! Class of 2026



Addison Andrews

Daughter of Dwayne Andrews
Addison will be continuing her studies in Human Physiology and Anatomy at ?? Plans to major in neuroscience to study the root causes of mental disorders. Addison's long-term goal to attend medical school and become a neurologist or neuropsychologist.



Kowen Dighton

Grandson of Dee Przymus
Kowen will attend Midland University to continue his studies in Psychology. He plans to study Psychology and combine his love of athletics with his desire to give back to other athletes mentally, emotionally, and personally.



Holden McDonald

Son of Erin McDonald
Holden (Great Grandson of Bev Holden) will attend Texas State University majoring in Construction Science and Management. He wants to take on leadership roles and bring teams together to create buildings and structures that will last through the years and know he was part of that success.



Jolie Ramos

Daughter of Ann Notarangelo
Jolie will attend Oregon State University Majoring in Sociology Studies. Jolie will use her real-life experiences in combination with studying social systems to select a career that she feels will best suit her.



Kathryn Glynn (Bev's Daughther) and Bev Holden accepting on behalf of Holden McDonald. Bev is his great grandmother.



Dee Pryzmus accepting on behalf of Kowen Dighton. Dee his grandmother.



Leigha, Addison, and Dwayne Andrews.



Carl Langhorst



Ann Notarangelo, Jolie Ramos, and Michael Gonzalez.



Rich Lujan, Todd Long and Joe Sinosky.



John and Tracy Wellner—selling raffle tickets.



Left to right: Donna Abbott, Bill Rafus, Steve Papenfus, Sandy Papenfus, Susan Rafus, Mary Weaver, and Carl Weaver.



Left to right: Alan Robbins, Jeff Facer, Pat Robbins, Dee Przymus, and Andy Chen.



Left to right: Robert De-cock, Michele Duran, Leigha, Dwayne, and Addison Andrews.



Left to right: Don Pallotta, Don Lapacek, Stan Rousseau, John Zuniga, Robyn Zuniga, and Lynn Vawter.



Left to right: Carl Langhorst, Jack Vaeth, Carl Nielsen, Kathy Nielsen, Mary Diermier, and Don Diermier.



Left to right: Joe Sinosky, Sandra Sinosky, Linda Cutright, Tom Cutright, Greg Pyka, Sharon Pyka, Elizabeth Lujan, and Rich Lujan.



Presentation made to Todd Long from the SWSFCU BOD for the renaming of their annual scholarship to Remorini-Long Scholarship in honor of his late wife's passing who was a SWSFCU Board Member.
MJ Bacani, Lori Hubbard, Todd Long, Wendy Ledezma, and Micheal Gonzalez.

ALUMNI MEMBERSHIP REACHES HIGH OF 392!

FYI WE NOW HAVE 92 MRC ACTIVE EMPLOYEES. Thanks to all the folks joining the Alumni to support the group. The membership form is found on the last page of this newsletter.

Please pass on to those retirees/employees that have not joined us. Great work by current members reaching out to fellow coworkers and friends to join us.



Here are a few facts about our members: Members reside in the following countries and states: Australia, Arizona, Colorado, Florida, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Texas, & Washington.

Looking for current or previous Alumni newsletters or photos from recent or previous events, check out this link to the [MRC Alumni web site](#) for the items as they become available for viewing.

PHOTO ARCHIVES OF EVENTS

Crab Feed 2026 from March 5th, 2026. Open this [hyperlink](#) to check out all the photos from the event.

Annual Alumni Meeting on March 24th, 2026. Open this [hyperlink](#) to check out all the photos from the event.

Annual Alumni Reunion on April 30th, 2026, Open this [hyperlink](#) to check out all the photos from the event.

Scholarship Awards from May 4th, 2026, to view the photos of the event just open this [hyperlink](#).

Annual Alumni Picnic on June 10th, 2025. To view the photos of the event just open this [hyperlink](#).

Bocce Tournament on July 26th, 2025. To view the photos of the event just open this [hyperlink](#).

Annual Bingo, September 16th, 2025—Honoring our Veterans. Veteran's enjoy free lunch and bingo play in recognition of their service. Open this [hyperlink](#) to check out all the photos from the event.

Annual Toys for Tots November 12th, 2025. Open this [hyperlink](#) to check out all the photos from the event. This was a great success thanks to all who contributed or attended!

Alumni Breakfast (canned food drive) 2026 from January 15th. Open this [hyperlink](#) to check out all the photos from the event.

Annual Clubhouse decorating by PBF staff and Alumni. Open this [hyperlink](#) to check out all the photos from the event. Thanks to all that helped.

Click on this https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l_iJLWbluul to watch a clip of the Museum and Annex tour for the 2025 Martinez Historical Society.



2025 Martinez Historical Society

[Open hyperlink this to view the Alumni scholarship photos from 1993 to current.](#) [This hyperlink opens the scholarship list of recipients.](#)

Photo blast from the past 1991 Machine Shop Photo—please help to identify the folks in the photo (correct the spellings if needed). Thanks to Robert Scheive, Dewey Kranz, and Joe Sinosky for their help in identifying folks.



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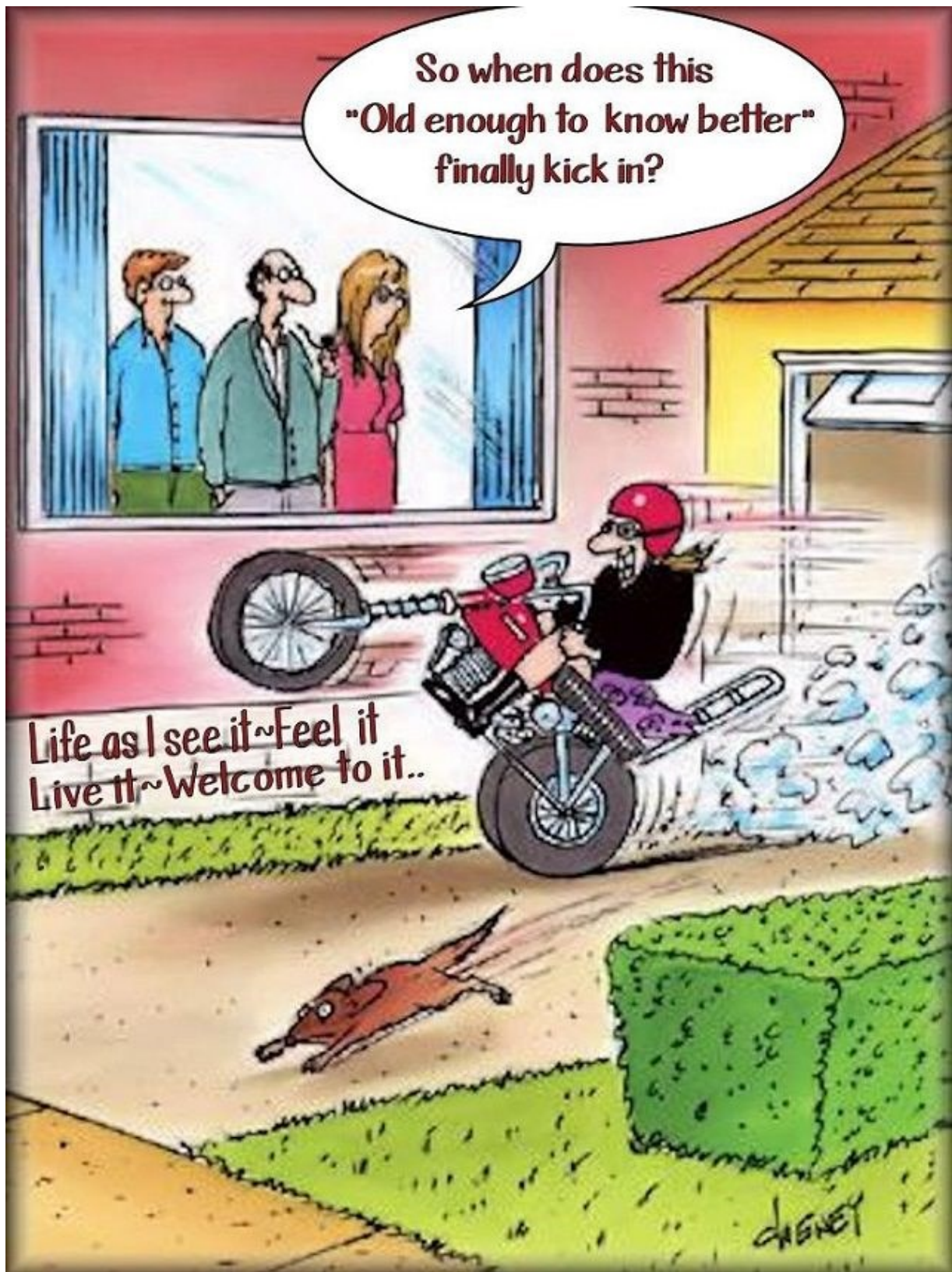
1. Kevin Cooley
2. Don Harvey
3. Art Tinney
4. Dennis Lowry
5. Mark Leeds
6. Roger Prill
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8. Russ Toscani
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10. Rich Youngman
11. Joe Weisse
12. Joe Weise
13. Jack Nicholson
14. John Schisman (Chism?)
15. Bob Payn
16. Otto Wagner

CENTER ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT):

- 1.
2. Tony Graboyes
3. Sal Coniglio
4. Todd Upton
5. Anebel Louie
6. Paul Hess
7. Mitch Mathews
8. Carol Goos
9. Dewey Kranz
10. Frank Pelzl
11. Randy Martin
12. Frank Tiscareno

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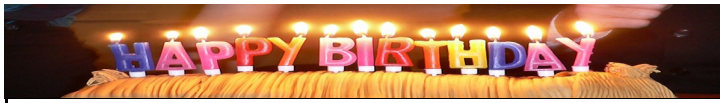
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2. Don Evans
3. Stan Montaro
4. Joe Sinosky
5. Leo Dufresne
6. Herb Jill
7. Ed Slatery
8. Dave Schlosser



Diablo Regional Arts Association Discount Tickets

MRC Alumni have been included with the MRC employees to purchase 20% discounted tickets for specific Lesher Center Headliner Series for 2026. The discount code is MRC25. Here is the link to view a brief description of each and purchase tickets using the code [Headliners Series | Lesher Center for the Arts](#).

- Asking for Trouble: Colin Mochrie & Brad Sherwood—Friday, June 26 at 7:30 PM



Chris Lindauer, June 2nd
Bruce Potter, June 3rd
Art Figueroa & Aura Sibley, June 5th
Carol Miller & Robert Schumack, June 5th
Felicitas Sinosky, June 6th
Bart Ochoa & Jack Yarnell, June 7th
Don Diermier & Alfred Sandoval, June 8th
James Carreon, June 14th
Dean Chamberlain & Paulette Nash, June 15th
Geoff Staffelbach, June 16th
Steve Luck & Blair Pollen, June 20th
Russ Hawkins & Ganapathy Udayashankar, June 20th
Brenda Hill, June 24th
Jack Wootten, June 25th
Kathy Adams, June 26th
Philip Chang, June 28th
Pat Owens, June 29th

SHELL—BENEFITS, MEDICAL, PENSION SHELL BENEFITS SERVICE CENTER The old Shell Benefits number has been disconnected. The new phone referenced below is to a dedicated department who can further assist you on your Shell Benefits inquiry, you may directly contact them thru the following: **800-307-4355** Also as a backup for assistance, try reaching out to the Fidelity Patient Advocate (**Stephanie, 877-208-0936 Ext. 23411**).

Attention Please: Are YOU and YOUR SPOUSE 65 AND ELIGIBLE FOR MEDICARE? All retirees must be enrolled in Medicare Part "B" to enroll in the Medicare Senior Advantage Plan with Kaiser or their HMO.

Persons not a member of Kaiser must contact their HMO for application and approval. Please follow these steps concerning Medical Coverage with your HMO or Kaiser.

1. You need to contact your HMO or Kaiser for an application 90 days prior to your 65th birthday. Call Kaiser for an application at 1-800-747-2189.
2. Complete and return the application to your HMO or Kaiser for approval.
3. Your HMO or Kaiser should notify you of the date of approval of your application.

Obituaries

Please email us if you know of other Alumni that have passed.

Jim Purdy, March 31st, 2026

Current Board Members and Officers

Museum Phone number (925) 293-4162

- Chairman—Brenda Hill
- Vice Chairman—Rodger Engebretson
- Treasurer—Jeff Facer
- Secretary—Dina Cotten
- Board Member—Allan Robbins
- Board Member—Jon Marangoni
- Board Member- John Wellner
- Board Member—Anne Fincke



Daniel and Rose Glaze, June 1st 50s
Susan and Ron Nelson, June 3rd 30s
Donna and Russ Abbott, June 7th 40s
Nancy Navarro and Roman Torres, June 9th 10s
Igor and Shirley Skaredoff, June 14th 60s
Sandra and Richard Todd, June 15th 40s
Michael and Cathy Grech, June 16th 40s
Steven and Kathy Buzbee, June 17th 50s
Joe and Sandra Sinosky, June 17th 30s
Valerie and Daniel Riedmiller, June 22nd 30s
Jack and Shane Battle, June 25th 30s
Enri and Belkis Refunjol, June 26th
Emily and Bill White, June 27th 40s
Jerry and Karen Schubert, June 28th 4th
John and Diana Valentine, June 29th 50s
Ken and Aura Sibley, June 30th 20s
Michael and Cindy Armour, May 26t 30s
Harold and Wendy Anderson, May 26th 50s
Woan-Ling and Kuo-Hua Choa, May 27th 40s
Blair and LaVerne Pollen, May 27th 40s
Carisa Valerga and Josh Finan, May 27th 5th
Darrell and Alina Sturgeon, May 28th 30s
John and Karen Swearingin, May 31st 50s

“Nothing is impossible. Even the word itself says, ‘I’m possible!’” Audrey Hepburn

MARTINEZ REFINING COMPANY ALUMNI 2026 SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

P.O. Box 1093 Martinez, CA 94553

MRCMTZALUMNI22@GMAIL.COM

Proposed event schedule of activities for 2026 (cost and dates subject to change).

DATE	DESCRIPTION	MEMBER COST/PERSON	COMMENTS
January 6th, 2026 Tuesday	Clubhouse Christmas Decorations removal—RSVP for lunch	Lunch provided to volunteers, please RSVP	
January 15 th , 2026 (Thursday)	MRC Annual Alumni Breakfast and Canned Food Drive @ Clubhouse (Doors open @ 9:30am & breakfast served at 11:00 am)	Breakfast \$10.00 and/or a donation of non-perishable food/canned goods – NO GLASS PLEASE.	RSVP requested by 1/13/2025 – payment by 1/21/2025
March 5th, 2026 (Thursday)	Crab Feed @ Noon Clubhouse—	Ticket cost \$50 per member limited ticket sales – reserve your ticket	
March 24th, 2026 (Tuesday)	Membership Meeting to announce new BOD for 2026-2027	Free (Members and their guest Only)	RSVP by March 18th via email or text to 707 718-0398
April 30th, 2026 Thursday	Retiree Reunion/Open House – Mexican Buffett	<i>\$10 at the door per member</i>	
May 4 th 2026 Monday	Scholarship Lunch @ Zio Fraedo's Waiting on confirmation with restaurant	<i>\$10/person TBD</i>	
June 16 th , 2026 Tuesday	MRC Annual Picnic @ Clubhouse – The event will be held indoors again this year.	Alumni member and a guest \$10.00/person (Children, grandchildren & great grandchildren are \$5.00 each over age 5.)	
July 25 th , 2026 Saturday	Bocce Tournament Registration @ 8:30 am and Starting @ 9:00 am Lunch and t-shirts provided	Alumni members and their guest/and or family members \$10.00/person (children over 10 - free)	
Sept 10 th , 2026 Thursday	Chili Bingo – Honoring our Veterans	Alumni member & a guest \$10.00 per person	
Nov. 10 th , 2026 Tuesday	Luncheon & Toys for Tots Drive	Alumni member & a guest \$10.00 per person and/or a new toy(s) per person	
December 2026 TBD	Volunteers to decorate Clubhouse		

Single or Multiple Payment(s)

Please make check payable to “Alumni General Fund” and mail to
Martinez Refining Company Alumni at P. O. Box 1093 Martinez, CA 94553

This payment sheet is being provided for your convenience to eliminate multiple payments/mailings for annual dues renewal and/or events you plan on attending in the future. **Complete the appropriate portion of this form, print the form and mail with the appropriate payment.** Note the event fliers are not required if you use this payment form. Additional details and reminders for events will be forthcoming as the dates get closer.

Please provide your name and cell/email for contact information: Name: _____
_____ Cell or email info. _____

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Annual Dues Renewal – Please indicate the year(s) below that you are paying dues for or just provide the amount of dues paid and it will be recorded as necessary. **Please complete the membership form and include in the mailing if your information has changed or you are a new member.** Dues are \$5.00 per year.

Indicate the amount for dues: \$ _____ 2026 2027 2028 2029 2030

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Annual Alumni Picnic (BBQ) on June 16th, Tuesday – The annual BBQ picnic allows members to bring their children & grandchildren to enjoy lunch. **Please RSVP and make payment by June 8th to attend. \$10 per person**

Member’s Name: _____, Guest’s Name: _____

Provide the names and ages of your children and/or grandchildren: _____

Please provide your email address or cell number for contact info. _____

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Annual Bocce Tournament on July 25th, Saturday – Alumni members can invite their family and friends to attend in the bocce tournament. **Please RSVP and make payment of \$10.00 per person by July 13th to attend.**

Member’s Name: _____, Guest’s Name: _____

Provide the names of your family or friends that will attend and their bocce skill level (beginner or experienced).

Children over 10 may attend and play in the bocce tournament as well. _____

Please provide your email address or cell number for contact info. _____

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Chili Bingo – Honoring our Veterans, September 10th – Lunch will be served at no cost to members only and their guest. **Please RSVP for the catering count BY Sept. 1st via, mail, email. \$10.00 per person, Veterans are served a free lunch and play bingo—a small thank you for your service.**

Member’s Name: _____,

Guest’s Name: _____ Please provide your email address or cell number for contact info. _____

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RSVP by **June 8th** and mark your calendars for June 16th at 10:30 am and send the name(s) of those attending. Cost is \$10.00 per person for Alumni members and a guest (Children, grandchildren and great grandchildren between ages 6 -16 are \$5.00 each, 5 and under free.) Remember for those non-members, who wish to attend, you can pay the \$5.00 Alumni dues with the picnic fee and still attend. Payment for picnic due by **June 16th**.

NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR due to the count for the catering order.

We will have some games and toys for the children attending.

For those that prefer to reply via paper format, please mail this form to the address shown below with payment.

Date: **June 16th, 2026 —Tuesday**
Time: 10:30 am to 2:00 pm
Place: MRC Clubhouse Indoors
Menu: Kinder's BBQ and all the fixins



Please complete and mail the RSVP form below or respond via email invite if you are interested in attending the Alumni Picnic. Your RSVP must be received and payment received by **June 8th.**

Tickets are \$10.00 per person for Alumni members and a guest, (Children, grandchildren and great grandchildren between 6 - 16 are \$5.00 each, 5 and under free.)

Mail this form with payment to the Alumni at P.O. Box 1093, Martinez, CA 94553. You can also email your RSVP to mrcmtzalumni22@gmail.com and mail payment separately. Checks should be payable to "Alumni General Fund". Venmo and Zelle are also accepted.

Member's Name: _____

Guest's Name: _____

Children's Name(s) and ages: _____

Amount Paid: _____ Phone Number or email address: _____

2026 BOCCE BALL TOURNAMENT

Saturday, July 25th, 2026

Registration at 8:30 am

Tournament starts at 9:00 am



We would like to invite Alumni and E.A.A. members and their families to join the bocce tournament for a relaxing day playing bocce ball at the Martinez Shoreline Park bocce ball courts. **It is lots of fun and only \$10.00 per person (children are free!)**

RSVP due by July 5th (to obtain a t-shirt) and payment due July 25th. Checks payable to "Alumni General Fund". Venmo and Zelle are also accepted.

T-shirts and lunch will be provided, as well as water and soda. **For those that do not wish to receive a T-shirt, please mark "NA" on the size line.** Lunch will be served around noon. BYO wine and beer. Trophies will be presented for 1st and 2nd place.

Please submit the names of the players, check the box for your experience level (beginner and experienced) and shirt sizes on the form below (indicate "NA" if you do not wish to receive a T-shirt) and return it to the Alumni Museum by July 5th. This information is required to divide up beginners and experienced players to make balanced teams. Never played before, no worries, we will be glad to assist in learning the rules to play! Children, ages 10 and older, are welcome to play. Please include the age of children attending below.

Return this form to MRC Alumni Museum P.O. Box 1093, Martinez, CA 94553

Name: _____ Shirt Size: _____ Beg Exp

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Name: _____ Shirt Size: _____ Beg Exp

Children's Name: _____ Shirt Size: _____ Age _____

Children's Name: _____ Shirt Size: _____ Age _____

Amount Paid _____ Phone or email address: _____

MRC (Martinez Refining Company) Alumni Membership Form & Dues

This information requested below is to allow the Alumni Newsletter to congratulate and celebrate folks on birthdays and milestone anniversaries. Please forward this form to other Martinez Refining Company retirees and active employees that would be interested in joining.

NAME: _____ Date Submitted: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number(s): Cell _____ Home _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Birthdate: _____

Wedding Anniversary Date: _____

Spouse or Significant Other's Name: _____

Date of Retirement: Month: _____ Date: _____ Year: _____

Please indicate the amount paid (\$5.00 per year), payment method, and indicate the year(s) for which dues are being paid.

Amount: \$ _____ Check (Payable to Alumni General Fund) Cash

Dues for 2026 2027 2028 2029 2030 2031

Mail your money and this form to the Martinez Refining Company Alumni, P.O. Box 1093, Martinez, CA. 94553.

Disclaimer: Regarding all events photos/videos Alumni Reunion Photos/Video:

Please note that the Martinez Refining Company (MRC) Alumni owns/uses photographs and/or video taken of Alumni members and/or group shots taken at events. Those photos are shared in the Alumni and the MRC Martinez Minute newsletters and to be posted on Alumni web pages, in publications, news releases, online, and in other communications related to the mission of the MRC Alumni, Martinez Refining Company and PBF Energy. By joining the Alumni and attending the events you approve of these photos and the use thereof.

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