The Houston Chapter of the 1st Marine Division Association celebrated the 1st Marine Division’s 70th birthday aboard the USS Texas. The United States Marine Corps, 1st Marine Division was established aboard the USS Texas at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba on February 1, 1941.

Over 50 Marines and guests participated in the ceremony, including a flag ceremony furnished by a Marine Color Guard from 1st Battalion, 23rd Marines I&I Staff, Houston, TX.

Acting Chaplain Mike Riley delivered the invocation, and ship historian Raymond “Rusty” Bloxom provided a special presentation.

Houston Chapter President Dan Miller cut the cake with a traditional Marine Officer’s sword and presented the first piece to the oldest Marine, Jeff Glaves, who is 96 years young. Twenty-three year-old Corporal Justin Larsen was the youngest Marine in attendance.

Fred Balmes, Houston Chapter Sergeant-at-Arms, thanks the entire staff at the USS Texas, especially Rusty, for all of their hard work and support.

Happy belated birthday, 1st Marine Division!
President’s Message

Michael J. Carone

Our financial status has been improving as we head towards our Annual Reunion in Washington D.C. in August 2011.

The 1st Marine Division Association attended the 70th Anniversary of the 1st Marine Division at Camp Pendleton on February 1-4, 2011. 548 attendees at the Anniversary included 150 Association members, guests and active duty Marines and corpsmen.

The Chapter Reps, Board of Directors and the Scholarship Corporation Director’s meetings were held February 1 in conjunction with the Chosin Memorial. The new Division Commander, Major General Michael R. Regner, and his command provided a great Anniversary.

I presented a plaque from the Association to General Regner at the Anniversary Banquet Thursday night recognizing the hospitality displayed by him and his staff to Association members. The theme at the banquet was a heart-wrenching documentary, “Chosin,” about the Korean War.

Our Executive Director, Col. Len Hayes, announced that he will be leaving the Association and moving on to new challenges. Len has been our Executive Director for about five years; he will be sorely missed. I wish Len good luck in his future endeavors.

In December, I attended a Christmas dinner with the New York Chapter. A brooch was presented to Gold Star Mother Mrs. Mariana Winchester for her generous and large contributions to the Scholarship Fund in her son’s name, 1st Lt. Ronald Winchester, who made the final sacrifice in Iraq 2004.

Our financial status has been improving as we head towards our Annual Reunion in Washington D.C. in August 2011. Your help and continued dedication and commitment to the 1st Marine Division Association have brought us to where we are today. The Reunion is an event that brings us all together. We can join with our buddies with whom we served in the 1st Marine Division and make new friendships that we share common interests. Camaraderie is the glue that binds us together. I encourage you to attend and share the special friendship of fellow Marines.

We intend to fill the newly renovated Sheraton National Hotel in Arlington, VA, which includes free parking for Association registered guests. Shuttles will run every ½ hour to and from the Pentagon Mall, where there are shopping, many fast food courts, and a Metro stop. Henderson Hall is one block away and, weather permitting, we will have the Saturday memorial service there.

Arrangements are being made by “Gunny” Patricia Kelly for registered guests to access the facilities at Henderson Hall for meals at Marine Club (11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mon-Thurs and Friday (11 a.m.-11p.m.) and PX (no alcohol or tobacco). Tours are listed in the registration form in this issue of the OBN. Register early, because the hotel will fill.

I want to thank everyone for your hard work and support in 2010. Keep up the good work. Hopefully, 2011 will be a banner year.

Semper Fidelis,

Michael J. Carone
The First Marine Division Association

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The “Voting by Mail” process was approved by the members in 2001 to allow all members in good standing to have an opportunity to share in the selection of our leadership.

This process also allows the Nominating Committee to review carefully the qualifications of candidates in a timely manner. Without this review, prior to 2001, we did elect several officers who were not in good standing and who had to be removed.

**Please exercise your right to vote.**

**PRESIDENT**

**Name:** Robert R. Montgomery  
**Address:** 6134 Glennox Lane, Dallas Texas 75214  
**Active Duty Service:** 1943-1971 Lt.Col. B, 1st Tk BN., HQ. 26th MAR

**Association Involvement:**  
• Joined 1987  
• Chair Destination Comm.  
• Mbr./Chair, Membership Comm.  
• Mbr. By-Laws Comm.  
• Dir. 4 yrs (Tank BN)

**Education:**  
• College 4yrs GEDT

**For President**  
✓ A J Burn  
✓ Robert Montgomery

**For Vice President**  
✓ Denny Weisgerber

**For DVP East**  
✓ Neal Meier  
✓ Richard Mooney

**For DVP Central**  
✓ Lee Rux

**For DVP West**  
✓ Bill Mimiaga

**For Treasurer**  
✓ Jim Zalpis

**For Secretary**  
✓ Michael Galyean

**For Chaplain**  
✓ Msgr. Walter C. Murphy

**For Sgt.-at-Arms**  
✓ Samuel Felton

**For Legal Officer**  
✓ David M. Franklin

Ballot Included on last page of this Issue of ‘Old Breed News’

1st MARINE DIVISION ASSOCIATION, INC.

BY-LAWS

Article V: Officers

B. Election: (Amended 7 July 2001)

8. No candidate shall campaign for any office in the Association, and no member or Chapter shall directly, or indirectly, electioneer or conduct any campaign for the election of any candidate to an office in the Association. Violations of this provision by a nominee shall disqualify such nominee from holding the office for which nominated. Violation of this provision by a Chapter shall be cause for revocation of such Chapter's Charter. All alleged violations shall be investigated and resolved pursuant to the standing Dispute Resolutions Procedure.

Article XIII: Local and Unit Chapters

D. Operations: (Amended 6 July 2002)

2. No Local or Unit Chapter shall, either directly or indirectly, endorse the candidacy of any person for any office in the Association.
President

Name: Arthur John (AJ) Burn
Address: 107 Ervin Ave, Linwood PA 19061

Active Duty Service:
• 10/13/66-10/13/70 11/67-7/69 1st Mar Div 3/7 Cpl

Association Involvement:
• Appointed Secretary 8/10, Sgt at Arms 07/09, Director 7th Marines 05/07, Reunion Destination Committee-Life Member-Joined FMDA 1969.

Education:
• AA Business Management, Goldey-Beacon College, Wilmington DE - 1976
• B.S. Political Science, Widener University, Chester PA. - 1980; Certificate in Financial Management, The Nonprofit Center at La Salle University’s School of Business - 2010

Work Experience:
• Computer/Loader Operator - Currently performing AP/AR and operating heavy equipment for a landscape supply company. I have worked primarily in horticulture for the last 30 years. Five years I worked in awards sales and 5 years I operated my own landscaping business.

Major Goals, if Elected:
• I would be honored to be chosen to lead the FMDA into the 21st century. I want to help guide the association to attract and meet the needs of all Blue Diamond Marines, family and friends. I want to perpetuate the history and legacy of the finest fighting outfit the world has known - 1st Marine Division. I will work to keep the FMDA on a course of fiscal responsibility.

Qualifications:
• 20 years as paymaster of Delaware County Detachment MCL
• Past Commandant of the Delaware County Detachment MCL
• 5 years as Board Member of the Pennsylvania Veterans Museum Media PA, Last 2 years as Vice Chairman.
• My education and experience working with veterans and veteran organizations, particularly as a second generation FMDA member with my lifelong knowledge of this organization.

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VICE PRESIDENT

Name: William D. “Denny” Weisgerber
Address: 195 Casper Street, Milpitas, CA
Active Duty Service: USMC 1949-1953, Staff Sergeant

Association Involvement:
• Life Member FMDA
• Unit Director 7th Marines

Denny Weisgerber

• FRC Member
• Co-Chair Anaheim Reunion (App’t 12 December 2008)
• Chair Site Selection Committee (App’t 01 December 2008)
• Parliamentarian
• MC Denver Reunion
• MC Nashville Reunion

Education:
• BA University of San Francisco

Work Experience:
• I worked for State Farm Insurance companies for the last 32 years of my employment. I served the company 16 years as an Agent on an independent contractor basis, being fully responsible for the hiring and firing of my staff, paying all of my expenses without company subsidies, including payroll of staff, advertising, and all office expenses including rent. In addition I spent 16 years in management as an Agency Manager, responsible for hiring, training and developing new agents. Again, responsible for all expenses of running the business, without company subsidies.

• Prior to State Farm I owned and operated Weisgerber Orthopedic Company in Hayward, California, making and fitting Orthotic and Prosthetic appliances, working directly with patients and Orthopedic Surgeons who prescribed the needed appliance.

• Prior to Weisgerber Orthopedic Company, I was employed by the US Navy at Navy Prosthetics Research Laboratory, Oak Knoll Naval Hospital, Oakland California. Here I did research for the lab, training new technicians, and making and fitting Prosthetic and Orthotic Appliances. During this time I passed the national American Orthopedic and Prosthetic Association exams to become certified as a Certified Prosthetist and Orthotist, licenses I still hold today. I am a Charter member of the American Academy of Orthotists and Prosthetists.

• Prior to this I was a student at Boise State University, Boise, Idaho and San Jose State University, San Jose, California.

• Prior to this I was in the United States Marine Corps, retiring on a physical disability from Korea. I attained the rank of Staff Sergeant. I served with Item Company, 3rd Bn. 7th Marines, 1st Marine Division, and Korea, where I was wounded and was awarded the Navy Cross; ultimately retired from USMC.

• Graduate of University San Francisco with a BA in Business Administration • Past President San Jose Chapter of the American Society of CLU and CFC

• Charter member of the American Academy of Prosthetics and Orthotics

• District Governor for Rotary International 199912000

• 43 year member of the Rotary Club of Milpitas, California,
President 1968-69 and 1988-89
• Milpitas City Councilman 1961-1972
• Current President of Milpitas Police Activities League
• Current Chairman of Milpitas Senior Advisory Commission
• Current Member California Council on Aging
• Current Member California Senior Legislature Assembly Person
• Past Chair of Santa Clara County Planning Policy Committee (Retired)
• Past Chairman Santa Clara County Local Agency Formation Commission (Retired)
• Charter member of Metropolitan Transportation Commission (Retired)
• Santa Clara County Building Authority (Retired)
• Current Jr. Past Commandant San Jose Detachment #1122 Marine Corps League
• Current Region 5 Coordinator for Department of California Marine Corps League
• Member Silicon Valley Chapter FMDA
• Unit Director 7th Marines FMDA
• Financial Review Committee FMDA
• Chairman Site Selection Committee FMDA
• Co-Chair Anaheim Reunion FMDA
• Parliamentarian FMDA Board
• Marine Corps League liaison for Toys for Tots, South Bay Area
• Liaison to Poly-Trauma Center Palo Alto Veterans Hospital

Major Goal, if Elected:
• I would continue to work diligently toward more positive membership, and getting the fiscal situation of FMDA back into a very positive status. I believe that I have the leadership experience and savvy to help lead this Association into the future. My goal would be to have every leader of the Association working toward our mission of keeping the Association afloat and doing well.
• I believe that with good leadership and hard work that this will happen. It would be my hope and goal that every individual would work and pull together for the betterment of all concerned. Keeping the lines of communication open, keeping the membership informed on what we plan to do.
• Getting everyone to buy into “a piece of the ownership” of the Association, by getting involved.
• To keep the Reunions and meetings meaningful by producing good agendas, and an orderly fashion of doing business.
• If I am elected, these would be my goals, knowing full well that not all can be accomplished at the start, but to make a good start and lay some ground work for our future leadership.

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VOTE NOW!
DEPUTY VICE PRESIDENT EAST

Name: Richard “Moon-Man” Mooney
Address: 25 Park Place, Village of Floral Park, NY 11001-2105

Active Duty Service: 1966-1968
- Parris Island, S.C., Platoon 160
- Camp Geiger, N.C. ITR 0311 Rifleman
- Camp Lejeune, N.C. Echo Co 2nd Bn 8th Marines 2nd Marine Division, FMF 0311 Fire Team Leader
- Camp Pendleton, CA. Las Pulgas 0311 Jungle Warfare Training
- Vietnam 1st Marine Division H&S / Echo Company 2nd BN 7th Marines 81’s Cpl. Squad Leader 0341
- Quantico, VA. H&S CO. SDT (School Demonstration Teams) 0341

Association Involvement:
- Joined around 1990 (Life Member)
- Presently the National Sgt. At Arms and a member of the Executive Board
- Presently the Chaplain and Life Member of Echo 217 Chapter
- Past President and Life Member of the New York Chapter
- Life Member of the Houston Chapter
- Life Member of the Bodfish Chapter
- Life Member of the Hawaiian Islands Chapter
- Life Member of the Los Angeles Chapter

Education:
- A.A. Degree with Honors, State University of New York, Nassau Community College
- B.A. Degree Cum Laude, City University of New York, John Jay College of Criminal Justice
- M.S. Ed. Degree with Post Graduate Coursework, Long Island University, Brooklyn Campus

Work Experience:
- Former Caseworker and Eligibility Investigator for the New York City Department of Social Services
- Former Special Investigator for the New York State Office of the Welfare Inspector General
- Former Narcotic Parole Officer for the New York State Office of Drug Abuse Services
- Former Mental Hygiene Specialist for the New York State Office of Mental Health
- Former Federal Probation and Parole Officer for the United States District Court for the Southern-District of New York
- Retired New York State Parole Officer for the NYS Div. of Parole (For 25 years applied strict, structured, supervision to predicate violent felony offenders, who were released from New York State Penitentiaries, to the high crime communities of New York City and Long Island.)
- Former Public Employees Federation Shop Steward for the New York State Parole Officers of Queens and Nassau County
- Former Regional Vice President of the New York State Parole Officers Association
- Former New York State Deadly Physical Force Instructor and Weapons Qualification Range Officer

Major Goal If Elected:
- With Honor, Courage, and Commitment, as your Deputy Vice President East, I will be your voice and “the go to” Marine, for open Communication between you, (the membership and Chapters), and the National Elected Officers and Executive Board. I will strive to keep the lines of the Communication open and transparent, with full disclosure. Emphasis will be placed on recruitment, retention, financial solvability, and fiscal responsibility. It is our duty, as the living warrior survivors, of the 1st Marine Division, to associate ourselves, to foster, preserve, and perpetuate, the honor, the glory, the memories, the incidents, the history, the traditions, and the camaraderie. We must keep our “esprit de corps” for the present and future generations of Marine Warriors. The 1st Marine Division Assoc. will not cease to exist under my watch. Semper Fidelis.

My Qualifications for the Office of Deputy Vice President East are:
(Kindly refer to the above.)

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DEPUTY VICE PRESIDENT CENTRAL

Name: Lee Rux
Address: 15111 Sun Spur St., San Antonio, TX 78232-4624

Active Duty Service:
- 9 Dec 1948- 3 Oct 1991 USMCR
- Jul 1950- Dec 1951 B-I-7 Korea 1950 active duty
- May 1954-May 1956 USNR as Naval Aviation Cadet
- Medically disqualified from flight training due to 20-25 in one eye. Marine Corps Reserve the remainder of the time.

Association Involvement:
- Life Member 23 January 1969
- Chairman of Association Bylaws Committee August 2007 to present
- President Alamo Chapter August 2005 president

Education:
- Associate of Arts San Antonio College
- Exchange Manager Professional Development Course, College of Business, Texas A&M University
Work Experience:
• Retired after 30 years with the Army and Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES) similar to the Marine Corps Exchange. Last assignment General Manger Luke and Williams AFB's, Phoenix, AZ.
• I supervised the operation of all retail, food, services, motion picture theater, concession, and vending activities at my assigned Bases.
• Performed personnel management functions to include evaluation of employee performance, counseling and discipline, and labor relations.
• Responsible for the proper accounting for all funds generated by assigned Exchange.
• Performed liaison between my Exchanges and local Military Commands.

Major Goal, if Elected:
• to improve the financial position of the Association and increase the Association membership.

Qualifications:
• As the General Manager I supervised 350 employees and sales of 41.2 million dollars a year. I was involved the day to day operation Exchange at my bases.
• Cash control, merchandise procurement, budgets control, personnel managing, and service to my customers and lastly Command liaison were but a few of my duties that qualify me for the position of Deputy Vice President.

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SECRETARY

Name: Michael L. Galyean (Mike)
Address: 746 McIntyre Ave. Winter Park, FL 32789
Service: USMC, Commissioned 2nd Lieutenant, December 1968
• Billets - Platoon Cmdr. Alpha Company 1st Bn. 3rd Marines;
• Platoon Cmdr. Charlie Company, 1st Bn., 5th Marines;
• OIC III MAF POW Facility and Company Cmdr. Security Company 3rd MP Bn.;
• Staff, OCS, Quantico.
• Honorably Discharged as 1st Lt. Sept., 1971.

Association involvement:
• Joined FMDA in 1988. Life Member.
• Reunion Committee Chair 2001 Reunion.
• President of Central Florida Chapter 2002 – 2010;
• Newsletter Editor for Central Florida Chapter;
• FMDA Scholarship Selection Committee 2003 – present;
• FMDA Director at Large;
• FMDA Scholarship Fund (Secretary)

Education:
• B.A.Ed. University of Mississippi;
• M.Ed. Rollins College;
• Additional studies at Rhodes College-Memphis, TN and University of Central Florida.

Work Experience:
• YMCA Director – Memphis, TN and Winter Park, FL.
• School teacher – Memphis TN, Seminole County, FL and Karlsruhe, Germany (Dept. of Defense Schools).
• Retired from public education in 2003.

Major goal, if elected:
• As Secretary, if elected, I will tend to the minutes of the association and the executive committee in an accurate and timely fashion.
• I will serve at the will of the association president and do all within my power to maintain the honor and integrity of the 1st Marine Division Association.

Qualifications:
• I have devoted the last 28 years to volunteer work in support of veterans and veterans’ issues.
• I founded the Vietnam Veterans of Central in 1983 and was presi-
dent of the VVCF for two years.

• In 1984 I was honored by the Florida Legislature for my work with veterans and was honored by the National Education Association with a special Community Service Award for my work on behalf of Vietnam Veterans.

• I have continued my veterans’ work in the 1st Marine Division Association, and currently serve as Secretary to the association’s Scholarship Fund.

• In addition to the FMDA, I am a Life Member of the VFW and a member of the Marine Corps League.

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CHAPLAIN

Name: Msgr. Walter C. Murphy
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Active Duty Service:
• Korea 1952 1-3-7 1951-1953 Active Duty-2nd Lt., 1st Lt.
• Reserves Capt.

Association Involvement:
• FMDA/NY Chapter: 1963- To Date, Chaplain
• FMDA 1963-To Date: Chaplain 2003,2007- To Date

Education:
• Graduate, Postgraduate, Post Ordination

Work Experience:
• Ordained to Roman Catholic Priesthood 1958
• Seminary Ministry
• Parish Ministry

Major Goal, if Elected:
• Minister to FMDA members and families
• Participation in FMDA activities

Qualifications:
• Fifty years of Parish and Seminary Ministry
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TREASURER

Name: Jim Zalpis
Address: 884 Vallecito Drive, Ventura, CA 93001

Active Duty Service:
• 1965-1968 L/Cpl E 2/7

Association Involvement:
• Joined 2007
• VP Chapter Development E 2/7 Vietnam Veteran Chapter

Work Experience:
• President & CEO JLZ Business Services, Owner 1981-present.

Major Goals, if Elected:
• Safeguard the treasury.

Qualifications:
• Accountant/Consultant to major corps nationwide.
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SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

Name: Samuel (Frag) Felton Jr.
Address: 832 West 23rd St, Lorain, OH 44052

Active Duty Service:
• Joined 1st Marine Division Association in 2005

Education:
• Graduate of Lorain High School

Work Experience:
• Former steel worker, and Invacare Corp.

Major Goals, if Elected:
• To insure that the proud legacy of the 1st Marine Division is not forgotten, and the deeds and courage of our brothers be known to the nation we swore to defend.

Qualifications:
• Two term senior vice comm .. D.A.V. Chapter 20,2009,2010-2011

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LEGAL OFFICER

Name: David M. Franklin
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Active Duty Service:
• USMC 1958-1968; USMCR 1968-1986; MSgt. Retired

Association Involvement:
• Legal Officer, FMDA (2004-Current)
• By-Laws Committee (2004-Current)
• Life Member, Col. Mitchell Paige, MOH Desert Cities Charter Member. Chapter Representative (2004-Current)

Other Military Organizations:
• 2nd/3rd Mar. Div. Assn. Life Member
• Marine Corps League
• VFW Life Member
• VVA - Life Member
• American Legion

Education:
• Thomas Jefferson School of Law, Juris Doctorate 1975
• California Judicial College, UC Berkeley 1988-Graduate Work Experience:
  • Appeals Judge/ Arbitrator, Administrative Law, Desert Bar Assn. (1996-Current)/ Attorney, Private Practice (Current)
  • Commissioner/ Temporary Judge, Full and part-time, Superior Court - Indio 1986-1996
  • Board of Directors, Pegasus Riding Academy for the Handicapped 1979-2001
  • Martindate-Hubbell, highest rating for attorneys “A V”

Major Goals, if Elected:
• If there is a problem, pick up the phone and resolve it.
• Keep an open door policy on a confidential basis.
• Head off trouble.

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APRIL
A-1-7 (WWII), 13-14 Apr., Quantico, VA. POC: Lou Clabeaux 17725 Gulf Blvd., Redington Shores FL 33708, 727-399-9276, jrclabeaux@webtv.net

MAY
H-3-7 Marines, Korea (1950-1955), 4-8 May, Mt. Pleasant, SC, Holiday Inn. POC: Bob Nichols, 727-392-2886, jarheadh37@tampabay.rr.com, or Ed Parungo, 919-414-7468 or 919-876-8091, Parun3@aol.com

Third Battalion., 27th Marine Regiment (Vietnam 1968), 30 May-2 June, Austin, TX, Horseshoe Bay Resort. POC: Doug Grady (512) 864-2649, grady-wd@hotmail.com, or www.three27.com, trigney098@comcast.net, or (586) 992-0063.

JULY
Lima 3/1 (VN) and Bravo 1/11 (VN), 7-10 July, Canton, OH, Holiday Inn. POC: Harrison S. Jones (Lima 3/1 coordinator), southernblend03@yahoo.com or Phil Sonner (Bravo 1/11 coordinator), phil@sonnerz.com

AUGUST
Third Marine Division Assn., 10-14 Aug., Louisivle, KY. The Galt House. Anyone who served in, was attached to, or served in direct support of the 3rd Marine Division at any time is invited to attend. POC: Don H. Gee, P.O. Box 254, Chalfont, PA 18914-0254, 215-822-9094, GYGEE@aol.com

FMDA, 15-20 Aug., Arlington, VA, Sheraton National Hotel

Marine Corps Tankers Association, 24-28 Aug., Stafford, VA. POC: G.D. Rose (619) 579-7848, gdroseusmcr@yahoo.com

SEPTEMBER
USMC Motor Transport Assn., 11-14 Sep., Orlando, FL. NV. Terry Hightower, P.O. Box 1372, Jacksonville, NC 28541, 910-450-1841, secretary@usmcm-ta.org

OCTOBER
D-2-7, 1st Marine Div. (Korea), 12-16 Oct., Quantico, VA. POC: Ric Barron, P.O. Box 96, Hamburg, NJ 07419, RicBD27@gmail.com
Many years ago, too many, after my tour of duty in the Marine Corps, when I was working in my chosen profession as a young Junior Accountant in a Big Eight Certified Public Accounting firm, I read a newspaper article about a group of Marines who returned to civilian life and made it “big time” in the professions and in industry. These men were being celebrated for having made it, and much of the credit was given by them to the Corps.

They called off a litany of qualities, e.g., leadership, experience, a sense of responsibility, discipline, acuity in their thinking, and so on. Of course, the raw material was already there but the Marine Corps refined it.

For a young fellow like myself beginning a career in public accounting, this article hit the spot and was a catalyst of sorts in my thinking. Little did I realize then that in a couple of years the Hand of God would lead me into the Major Seminary to study for the Roman Catholic priesthood. So be it.

But not all Marines and veterans of the armed forces, then or now, are making it big time in civilian life or succeeding in maintaining family relationships, holding a job, and carving out a career in industry and business.

For example, in Long Island City, Queens County, New York City, for many years there has been a homeless shelter for veterans of our armed forces. There are veterans who live there who have problems of many types, e.g., psychological, psychiatric, addictions, and social and family. Some of these problems are service connected. Perhaps they brought some of them into the military from civilian life. In the final analysis, they just can’t seem to make it in civilian life.

When you think about it, these veterans are our brothers-in-arms. In what ways can we reach out to them? In what ways can we try and help them? In what ways are we even able?

Allow me to share a very solemn and dignified occasion with you. On January 8, 2011, I was present at Calverton National Cemetery on Long Island, New York State for the solemn military funeral of twenty homeless veterans, two Marines among them, who were evidently cut off from any family ties who would claim their bodies when they died. Some of the homeless veterans lay in morgues for almost five years.

A group of New York City funeral directors, hearing of this, set themselves up as an association and contacted the Veterans Administration, New York City authorities, Calverton National Cemetery, and the American Legion. A military burial for all twenty veterans was planned for January 8th.

Twenty Cadillac hearses, each with a flag-draped casket, were escorted from Manhattan, New York City by a Marine veterans motorcycle group and the New York City Police Department. As the funeral procession reached the Nassau and Suffolk borders, the police escort changed.

When the funeral procession reached Calverton National Cemetery, which is about seventy miles from Manhattan, it was met by bagpipers, veterans groups, the police and fire departments, and ceremonial details from all the armed forces. Each casket was carried, one at a time, by a ceremonial burial detail from the hearse into a large tent, where a memorial service was held by the American Legion.

Military ceremonial burial details folded the flag on each casket. Later in the day, the twenty homeless veterans were interred. Being present for the burial of twenty brothers-in-arms was a very moving experience, not to be forgotten.

Here’s another special experience I will not forget. On Christmas Eve, December 24, 2010, I celebrated a Mass at the Holliswood Psychiatric Hospital in Hollis, Queens, New York City. The Holliswood Psychiatric Hospital has a contract with the Veterans Administration to treat a group of veterans from the Iraq and Afghanistan Wars who returned from their combat experience with severe mental health problems. These young heroes are not outpatients; they are in a lock-down facility.

There were 22 young veterans present for the Mass; some among them were Marines. Their ages ranged from 19 to 30. I spoke with them before and after celebrating the Mass. They, too, are our brothers-in-arms who are suffering. We must remember them, as well as their families, in our prayers.

There are many military veterans of all ages among us who are suffering socially and with severe mental health and physical problems. We must not forget them. We must reach out to them as best as we are able.

The Healing Ministry of Jesus was such an important part of his Public Ministry. In reaching out to our veterans, we participate in this Healing Ministry of the Lord. In the New Testament Gospel of Matthew, Chapter Twenty-five, beginning with Verse Thirty-one through Forty-six, the Lord teaches us to feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, welcome the stranger, clothe the naked, visit the sick and those in prison.

Then, the Lord says, “As often as you did it for one of my least brothers, you did it for me.”

All over our country there are facilities treating our brothers-in-arms for a variety of physical and mental problems. We cannot forget them. They are part of us and we of them.

We go all the way with our Marine brothers on patrol and in fighting holes. Why, then, are they spurned and forgotten when they are back in civilian life being treated with the hope of making them well again?

As Marines, we celebrate our brotherhood. We must keep that brotherhood alive and well in reaching out to our wounded brothers who are being treated and in distress.
The Sheraton National is located at 900 S Orme Street, Arlington, VA 22204. The hotel is approximately 5 miles away from Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport (DCA) and 27 miles away from Washington Dulles International Airport (IAD). Call the hotel directly for accurate driving directions. The hotel is on high elevation overlooking many of Washington, D.C. famous landmarks and is just blocks from the Metro, The Pentagon, Ft. Myer, and Arlington Cemetery, as well as Downtown Washington, The Kennedy Center, and Crystal City. Complimentary shuttle van service departs every 30 minutes to and from Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport, Metro at Pentagon City and Pentagon City Fashion Center. The hotel has handicapped accessible rooms which are based on availability. Please request these special accommodations when making your reservation, and we recommend confirming arrangements before arriving at the hotel.

The Sheraton National has 408 deluxe guest rooms with individual climate controls; HD TV with in-room movies, and video check-out. Rooms offer in-room coffee makers, hair dryers, and irons/ironing boards. Guests can enjoy a rooftop indoor swimming pool (9:00am-10:00pm weekdays, 9:00am-9:00pm weekends), sundeck (9:00am-10:00pm daily), and an exercise room. The exercise room features Stairmaster, LifeCycle, and weight resistance equipment. The hotel is offering complimentary parking for all reunion attendees who are registered hotel guests. Check-in time is 3:00pm; check-out is 12:00 noon.

The Potomac Restaurant, with seating for over 200 features unique culinary creations for breakfast, lunch, and dinner from prime steak to fresh seafood and exotic desserts, we will dazzle you with the best dining experience in Washington, D.C. Open from 2pm until midnight, the Potomac Lounge, adjacent to the restaurant, offers an inviting and social atmosphere for lunch, dinner or light fare. Catch your favorite game or the latest news on one of two large elevated flat screen televisions or the 42” plasma television positioned behind the bar. Room service is available daily from 5:00am-12:00am.

Complimentary shuttle van service departs every 30 minutes from 6:00am-11:00pm to and from Washington-Reagan National Airport. Go to the Ground Transportation area of the airport to catch the shuttle. SuperShuttle offers transportation from Dulles International Airport and Baltimore/Washington International Airport. Please contact them at (202) 296-6662 or (800) BLUE-VAN for more information and/or reservations.

Oversize vehicles or RVs can park in the hotel’s satellite parking lot across the street from the hotel; but if you require RV hook-ups please contact Harmony Place located on 8018 Richmond Road, Alexandria, VA 22306, which is about 8 miles from the hotel. Call (703) 360-4460 for information, reservations, and directions. There are no campgrounds in Arlington County.

Should you need to rent a wheelchair for the reunion, ScootAround rents both manual and power wheelchairs by the day and week. Please call their toll-free number at (888) 441-7575.

**Vendors, Schedules, and Prices are subject to change.**

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**HOTEL RESERVATION FORM**

| NAME ________________________________________________________________________________________________ |
| ADDRESS ________________________________________________________________________ZIP ____________________ |
| EMAIL ADDRESS (if available) ____________________________________TELEPHONE # (______) ____________________ |
| ARRIVAL DATE _______________ TIME _______________ AM/PM DEP . DATE ____________________________ |
| _____# OF ROOMS NEEDED _____# OF PEOPLE IN ROOM ☐ HANDICAP ACCESS ☐ KING BED ☐ 2 DOUBLE BEDS |

In the event room type requested is not available, nearest room type will be assigned. **RATE**: 109 + tax (currently 10.25%) Rates will be honored 3 days before and 2 days after reunion dates, based on availability

**CUT OFF DATE: 07/15/11**; Reservations received after this date will be processed on a space available basis, at the prevailing public rate.

**CANCELLATION POLICY**: Deposit is refundable if reservation is cancelled by 4:00pm the day prior to arrival.

All reservations must be guaranteed by credit card or first night’s deposit, enclosed.

☐ AMEX ☐ DINERS ☐ VISA ☐ MASTER CARD ☐ DISCOVER

CREDIT CARD NUMBER ____________________________________ EXP. DATE ________________________________

SIGNATURE (regardless of payment method) ____________________________________________________________________

Mail to: Sheraton National Hotel, 900 South Orme Street, Arlington, VA 22204 Attn: Reservations Or visit [http://www.starwoodmeeting.com/Book/1stMarine](http://www.starwoodmeeting.com/Book/1stMarine) to make reservations

(Please reference the First Marine Division Association Reunion to obtain the special reunion room rate)
First Marine Division Association
2011 Reunion

1st MARINE DIVISION ASSOCIATION REUNION ACTIVITY REGISTRATION FORM

Listed below are all registration, tour, and meal costs for the reunion. Please enter how many people will be participating in each event and total the amount. Send that amount payable to ARMED FORCES REUNIONS, INC. in the form of check or money order. Your cancelled check will serve as your confirmation. Returned checks will be charged a $20 fee. You may also register online and pay by credit card at www.afr-reg.com/1stMarine. All registration forms and payments must be received on or before July 15, 2011. After that date, reservations will be accepted on a space available basis. We suggest you make a copy of this form before mailing. Please do not staple or tape your payment to this form.

Armed Forces Reunions, Inc.
322 Madison Mews
Norfolk, VA 23510
ATTN: 1st Marine

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| SATURDAY: LADIES BRUNCH | $45 | |
| SATURDAY: BANQUET DINNER (Please select your entrée below) | |
| Beef Tenderloin | $59 | |
| Chicken Marsala | $59 | |
| Grilled Salmon | $59 | |

MANDATORY REGISTRATION FEE

The Registration Fee includes the primary registrant & one guest, spouse or significant other. $55

REGISTRATION FEE FOR ADDITIONAL GUESTS (Price is per person) $15

LATE FEE- Required in addition to registration fee for all forms received after July 15 $10

DONATIONS TO THE DIVISION

| OPERATIONS | $ | |
| SCHOLARSHIP | $ | |

Total Amount Payable to Armed Forces Reunions, Inc. $

PLEASE PRINT NAME AS YOU WOULD LIKE IT TO APPEAR ON YOUR NAMETAG

FULL NAME __________________________ UNIT (Ex: India 3/7) ____________

CHECK ONE: □WWII □CHINA □KOREA □VIETNAM □KUWAIT □COLD WAR □IRAQ □AFGHANISTAN 1ST TIME ATTENDEE? □YES □NO

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DISABILITY/DIETARY RESTRICTIONS
(Sleeping room requirements must be conveyed by attendee directly with hotel)

MUST YOU BE LIFTED HYDRAULICALLY ONTO THE BUS WHILE SEATED IN YOUR WHEELCHAIR IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN BUS TRIPS? □YES □NO (PLEASE NOTE THAT WE CANNOT GUARANTEE AVAILABILITY).

EMERGENCY CONTACT __________________________ PH. NUMBER (______)______-___________

For refunds and cancellations please refer to our policies outlined at the bottom of the reunion program.

REGISTER ONLINE AND PAY BY CREDIT CARD at www.afr-reg.com/1stMarine
Monday, August 15
1400 — 1900  Reunion Registration Open
1800 — Hospitality Room opens for duration of Reunion.

PX — the PX will be open 0800—1700 everyday with the exception of during Memorial Service.

Tuesday, August 16
0730 — 0830  Reunion Registration Open
0900 — 1500  NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE MARINE CORPS & QUANTICO
1530 — 1730  Reunion Registration Open

Wednesday, August 17
0730 — 0930  Reunion Registration Open
0900 — 1600  CITY TOUR (please see note regarding security in the description)
0800 — 0900  Finance Review Committee Meeting
0900 — 1000  Bylaws Committee Meeting
1000 — 1100  Reunion Committee Meeting
1100 — 1200  Scholarship Selection Committee Meeting
1100 — 1200  Insurance Committee Meeting
1300 — 1400  Awards Committee Meeting
1300 — 1800  Reunion Registration Open
1400 — 1530  Fund Raising Committee Meeting
1800 — 2300  WASHINGTON NATIONALS BASEBALL GAME
1930 — 2200  Muster and Mingle

Thursday, August 18
0730 — 0930  Reunion Registration Open
0900 — 1600  CITY TOUR (please see note regarding security in the description)
1300 — 1800  Reunion Registration Open (Additional hours will be posted at reunion, if necessary.)
1000 — 1630  ANNAPOLES – U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY
1930 — 2200  Muster and Mingle

Friday, August 19
0800 — 0900  Memorial Service
1000 — 1100  Chapter Representatives Committee Meeting
1000 — 1500  STEVEN F. UDVAR—Hazy CENTER
1330 — 1530  Board of Directors Meeting
1600 — 1630  Banquet Table Reservation Sheets will be collected at Reunion Registration Desk
1600 — 1700  Scholarship Corporation Committee Meeting
1845 — 2300  EVENING PARADE AT MARINE BARRACKS
1930 — 2200  Muster and Mingle

Saturday, August 20
0800 — 1100  Membership Meeting
1000 — 1200  Ladies Brunch
1800 — 1900  Cocktails
1900 — 2200  Banquet Dinner

Sunday, August 21
Farewells and Departures

Tour Descriptions

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE MARINE CORPS & MARINE CORPS BASE QUANTICO
Tuesday, August 16
Opened to the public on 13 November 2006, the National Museum of the Marine Corps is a lasting tribute to U.S. Marines - past, present, and future. Situated on a 135-acre site adjacent to the Marine Corps base in Quantico, Virginia, the Museum’s soaring design evokes the image of the flag-raisers of Iwo Jima and beckons visitors to its 118,000-square-foot structure. World-class interactive exhibits using the most innovative technology will surround visitors with irreplaceable artifacts and immerse them in the sights and sounds of Marines in action. Transportation will be provided to Marine Corps Base Quantico for lunch in one of the mess halls.

Note: You will be required to pass through a metal detector before entering the museum. There is a lot of walking, so please wear comfortable shoes.

0900 board bus, 1500 back at the hotel
$45/Person includes bus and lunch.

CITY TOUR
Wednesday, August 17 and Thursday, August 18
See the sites of our nation’s capital during a driving tour of Washington, D.C. Ride by the Lincoln Memorial, Jefferson Memorial, War Memorials, the Mall, Capitol Building, Washington Monument, White House, and other notable monuments and federal buildings. Afterward, stop at the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center, which is the largest building (3.1 million square feet) in Washington, DC and is the first and only federal building dedicated to both government and private use. While there, enjoy lunch on your own at the Reagan Building food court - named one of the “best family food courts’” in DC.

Note: Due to security requirements at some of the tour stops, the following information must be provided for each person on this tour: Full Legal Name, Social Security Number, Date of Birth, and Country of Citizenship. Space is provided on the registration form; please use additional paper if necessary. Large bags and backpacks will not be permitted on this tour.

0900 board bus, 1600 back at the hotel
$54/Person includes bus and guide. Lunch on your own.

WASHINGTON NATIONALS BASEBALL GAME
Wednesday, August 17
Take in a game at Nationals Park, which opened in 2008 in Southeast DC. The exterior facade of the 41,546 seat venue features an innovative design of steel, glass and pre-cast concrete to create a facility that uniquely reflects the architecture of Washington, DC. The concourses and seating decks are configured to create a variety of distinct neighborhoods, each with its own identity and viewing experience. As you traverse the Ballpark’s vertical circulation ramps throughout the various levels of the facility, you will witness panoramic views of the riverfront, Navy Yard, the surrounding city and landmarks such as the Capitol and the Washington Monument. And what baseball game would be complete without a hot dog? Your admission includes $10 to use at a concession stand.
1800 board bus, 2300 back at the hotel
$65/Person includes bus, admission, and $10 concessions voucher.

ANNEPOLIS - U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY
Thursday, August 18
Embark on a trip to the U.S. Naval Academy, but first enjoy lunch on your own at one of the many dockside restaurants along the waterfront area of Annapolis. Once at the Naval Academy, stop at the Naval Academy Visitors Center for an official welcome and slide presentation. Then enjoy a personalized walking guided tour of the Academy grounds and learn the customs of the “plebes” and midshipmen. See the chapel, John Paul Jones Crypt, and Bancroft Hall. Learn the history of the Maryland State House, where the present state legislature assembles, and the site where George Washington resigned his commission as General to become the President of the United States.

Note: The walking portion of the tour covers about a mile. In addition, a photo ID is required for entrance.
1000 board bus, 1630 back at the hotel
$50/Person includes bus, and Academy guide. Lunch on your own.

STEVEN F. UDVAR-HAZY CENTER
Friday, August 19
This museum, part of the Smithsonian Institution’s National Air and Space Museum, is dedicated to the preservation and display of its collection of historic aviation and space artifacts. Located at Washington International Dulles Airport, the facility has large aviation and space exhibit hangars. The museum currently has over eighty aircraft and dozens of space artifacts on display including the Space Shuttle “Enterprise,” an SR-71 Blackbird, the Dash 80 prototype of the Boeing 707, and the B-29 Superfortress “Enola Gay.” Lunch options include a food-court style McDonald’s and coffee place. A docent led tour will be available.

Note: There is a lot of walking, so please wear comfortable shoes.
1000 board bus, 1500 back at the hotel
$35/Person includes bus. Lunch on your own.

EVENING PARADE AT THE MARINE BARRACKS
Friday, August 19
After dinner on your own, board bus for the Marine Barracks (8th & I Streets). You’ll be directed to your reserved bleacher seating. Marines from the Barracks will give a history of the Barracks and a preview of what is to take place during the parade, which begins at 8:45pm. As the “Oldest Post of the Corps,” Marine Barracks, Washington, D.C., established in 1801, has performed military reviews and ceremonies since its founding. The present-day Evening Parade was first conducted on July 5, 1957. Observe the ceremonies that have been the tradition of Presidents and past Commandants of the Marine Corp that will include ceremonial Drum and Bugle Corps, Silent Drill Team, the US Marine Band, and the Marine Corp mascot “bulldog.” Note: This trip may be limited to a maximum of 200 people.
1845 board bus, 2300 back at hotel
$25/Person includes bus.

• Driver gratuities are not included in the tour prices.
• Please plan to be at the bus boarding area at least five minutes prior to the scheduled time. All trips require a minimum of 35 people, unless otherwise stated.
• Virginia and Washington, D.C. have strict weapon laws and you will be required to pass through security for several tours. Please leave all weapons at home (pocket knives included).

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1st MARINE DIVISION ASSOCIATION CHANGE OF ADDRESS FORM

Please Print
Name: ___________________________________________________________
New Mailing Address: _____________________________________________
City: __________________________ State: ____ Zip+4: ______________
New Phone: _____________________________________________________

Clip or copy this form from your issue of The Old Breed News and mail completed form to:
1st Marine Division Association, 403 N. Freeman St., Oceanside, CA 92054
Phone (760) 967-8561 FAX (760) 967-8567 Email: old-breed@sbcglobal.net

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CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY
For attendees canceling reunion activities prior to the cut-off date (July 15, 2011) Armed Forces Reunions, Inc. (AFR) shall process a full refund less the non-refundable AFR registration fee ($7 per person). Attendees canceling reunion activities after the cut-off date will be refunded to the fullest extent that AFR’s vendor commitments and guarantees will allow, less the non-refundable AFR registration fee. Registrations that are received after July 15 (Late Registrations) and then wish to cancel will be refunded to the fullest extent that AFR’s vendor commitments and guarantees will allow, less the total late registration fee of $60. Cancellations will only be taken Monday through Friday from 9:00am until 5:00pm Eastern Standard Time, excluding holidays. Please call (757) 625-6401 to cancel reunion activities and obtain a cancellation code. Refunds processed 4-6 weeks after reunion. Canceling your hotel reservation does not cancel your reunion activities.

Deadlines for OBN Material: 2011

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2nd Quarter Apr/May/June 15 May 2011
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Board of Directors Meeting

- The meeting was called to order at 1400 by Vice President Denny Weisgerber
- Msgr. Murphy gave the Invocation
- Sgt-at–Arms Mooney led the Pledge of Allegiance
- Proof of Notice in the 4th Qtr 2010 OBN was established
- Roll Call determined that a quorum was present
- The Minutes of the 25 Aug 2010 meeting were approved

OFFICERS’ REPORTS:

President Mike Carone:
- signed the contracts for the 2011 reunion with the Sheraton Hotel, Arlington, VA, and AFRI, the reunion planners.
- attended the Change of Command Ceremony for the new Commandant, Gen Amos.
- presented Gold Star Mother Maryanna Winchester with a brooch at the NY Chapter’s Christmas party.

Vice-President Denny Weisgerber:
- reported on the Chapter Reps Meeting held earlier in the day:
  - stemming the loss of older members and recruiting new members continue to be priorities.
  - members were encouraged to hand out membership applications.
- Many Chapter Reps questioned the legality of the Chapter assessment of $100 for admin fee.

DVPE Elmer Hawkins:
- Throughout the year Elmer endeavored to contact all Chapters, either by email or phone.
  - Some Chapters did not return calls; three are in danger of failing: Western New York, Tennessee, and Northern New Jersey.

DVPW Ed Brundage:
- Ed expressed regret that illness had prevented him from fulfilling his duties as he had desired.
- John Stevens assisted Ed in the Northwest and reported that most Chapters were well, although Montana was experiencing problems.
- The Denver Chapter has refused to pay the $100 admin assessment.

DVPC Lee Rux:
- Lee reported on the 16 Chapters in Central.
  - Twelve have paid the admin assessment.
  - Three Chapters are below 12 members.

Secretary AJ Burn:
- no report

Treasurer Jim Zalpis:
- The picture is rosy, but we are not out of the woods yet.
- There was less than $29,000 in the bank when he took over; today, there is $115,000 in the bank.
  - Many cost savings accounted for this: the reduction of staff to half time employment created large savings.
  - While discussing staff, Jim Zalpis apologized to Len Hayes, Juan Duff, and Past Treasurer Jerry Reed for an inappropriate email in which the three were named.
- handed copies of the Financial Activity Report, the 2010 Budget and Income Statement to all Directors present.
- presented a proposed 2011 Budget; a motion was made and seconded to accept. The motion carried.

Legal Officer Dave Franklin:
- expressed his willingness to aid all members and reminded all that his dealings with personal matters are confidential.
- stated that the By-Laws read that Chapters may lose their charters for less than 12 members: it is not automatic.

Chaplain Msgr Murphy:
- is open to suggestions for his column in the OBN.
- offered Christmas Mass at the Holliswood Psychiatric Hospital in Queens, NY.
- the Vet Center in Long Island City NY held a mass burial for 20 homeless veterans, which included 2 Marines. Msgr Murphy presided over the ceremony, at which each vet was given a proper military funeral.

Sgt at Arms Richard Mooney:
- thanked all the members and officers for their outstanding behavior while on his watch.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Awards:
- Mike Carone presented a plaque to Richard Jones honoring the Alamo Chapter Reunion Committee for an outstanding job. The committee comprised Chairman Tex Stiteler, co-chair Richard Jones, Lee Rux and Val Yurgas.

By-Laws:
- John Stevens presented a motion to allow nominations to be made from the floor of a Membership meeting on a non-election year. The motion carried.
- There was a proposal to allow spouses, as well as other dependents to be eligible for scholarships.
  - It was recommended that this issue be placed on the next election ballot so that members can vote on the subject.

2011 Reunion:
- Chairman Carl Wenhold reported the 2011 reunion will be in the Washington DC area at the Arlington Sheraton.
  - Room costs will be $109 a night, with free parking.
  - A full and energetic program is being planned.
  - Frequent shuttles run to the Metro Mall, which houses many stores and restaurants.
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• Tours will include the National Museum of the Marine Corps, evening parade at Marine Barracks at 8th & I streets in DC, Annapolis, and a city tour of Washington.

• The Memorial Service is planned for Henderson Hall, which adjoins the hotel. A night game with the Washington Nationals is being planned.

NEW BUSINESS:
Reunion Destination Committee:
• Chairman Denny Weisgerber announced the committee had selected Portland, Oregon as the site of the 2012 Reunion.
• John Stevens reported on his trip to Australia.
  • Melbourne is near Balcombe Park.
  • The entrance contains the duplicates of the original bronze plaques.

• Nearby is Citation Park, the site where the 1st Division was awarded its first Presidential Unit Citation, and Mitchell Paige and John Basilone were presented with their Medals of Honor.

• Balcombe Park is being renovated by The Australian Apprentice Association.

• A motion was made and seconded to assess each chapter a $100 admin fee with a penalty for failure to pay.

• An amendment was proposed to alter the penalty. Both the amendment and the motion failed.

Meeting Adjourned

Submitted by AJ Burn

Friends of the Association

The Board of Directors approved a new affiliation of deserving friends of the Association at the Anaheim reunion 2009. This affiliation is not honorary and revenue must be forwarded with application. It is for military service members who served in units other than the First Marine Division, as well as persons with no military service. It is for those individuals who want to join us in our outreach programs for recently released Marines, many who are without jobs, and some homeless.

Others may want to help local Chapters of the FMDA, as well as be a part of the social activities of the Association and Chapters. Friends of the Association are encouraged to join and pay dues to their local Chapter.

This copy of the OBN contains an application for “Friends of the FMDA” membership. Membership is based on the calendar year, and will be renewed annually. If less than 90 days exist in the calendar year, the applicant will receive the full credit for the following calendar year.

Mail application and membership fee ($50.00) to:
FMDA Headquarters
403 N. Freeman St.,
Oceanside, CA 92054

Annual Membership $50 per calendar year FMDA Outreach Program. As a friend of the FMDA you will be encouraged to attend meetings (with no voice or vote), Anniversary and Annual Reunions and other Association events.

CONGRATULATIONS! on becoming a member of the finest fighting Organization in the world.

Please send check or money order or credit card information to the above address For annual dues and contributions to the First Marine Division Association and your membership card will be posted to your address.

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The position of Executive Director for the 1st Marine Division Association is open effective March 1, 2011.

The Executive Director is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the Association and its Headquarters office in Oceanside CA. The position currently is 1/2 time, with the potential of becoming full time.

The duties of the Executive Director, as listed in the Association’s bylaws, are listed below.

If you are interested, or know a possible candidate, please contact John Stevens at usmcable6@sbcglobal.net.

**Article VI: Executive Director**

A. Executive Director:

1. Member shall conduct the affairs of the Association in the absence of the President, the Vice-President, the Deputy Vice-Presidents and the Executive Committee, in accordance with the program and policies established by the BOD and/or the Executive Committee.

2. Member shall be empowered to perform jointly all the duties prescribed for the Secretary, except that the Secretary shall keep the minutes of the meetings of the BOD of the members and the Executive Committee whenever the Secretary is present in person at meetings of these Bodies.

3. Member shall be a full employee of the Association.

4. Member shall be paid such remuneration as may be contracted for between the President and the Executive Director which shall be subject to the approval and consent of the Executive Committee.

5. The employment contract between the Association and the Executive Director shall be in writing and for such duration, not exceeding two years, as set forth herein.

a. The employment contract shall be executed by the incoming President.

b. In the event of the resignation, death or inability of the Executive Director to perform duties during the term of the contract, the unexpired term of the contract may be contracted for by the preceding President with the approval of the Executive Committee.

6. Member shall perform all assigned duties and acts pursuant to the direction of the President.

7. Member shall, if required by the BOD, give a bond or such security for the faithful performance of duties.

8. Member shall be an ex-officio member of the executive committee and the BOD without vote.

9. Member shall be custodian of the official minute books and official seal. Member shall affix the official seal when required.
The Blue Diamond Team

The Blue Diamond is open to all Members and Chapters. An initial donation of $600.00 earns you or your chapter the title and recognition of being a major supporter of the 1st Marine Division Association.

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The BDT Committee is proud to report that as of 1 September 2009 115 members and 21 Chapters have joined the Blue Diamond Team. For those Members and Chapters who have sustained their BDT status with an annual donation we thank you for your continued support. The Blue Diamond Team Founder pin has been retired and a new Blue Diamond Team Member pin will now be issued to all those members who join the BDT in the future.

Semper Fidelis
Don Reid
John Stevens
Denny Weisgerber
Your
Blue Diamond Team Committee

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The following Members, Chapters and Affiliates on their way to becoming a members of the Blue Diamond Team

NY State West Chapter $500.00 - Nile Holmes $300.00 - Martin Dunbar $200.00 - Dave Manipole $200.00 -Roland Salisbury $200.00 - Don Tennenbaum $200.00 - A.L.Scarborough $100.00 - Lionel Spencer $100.00 -- Boyce Clark $100.00
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Maryland Chapter $100.00

F - Founder  D – Deceased  * with Name Bolded – Sustaining Member/Chapter for current year  1 January – 31 December.
Sustaining status is achieved with an Annual donation. $100.00 for Individuals - $200 for Supporting Chapters.
This sustaining donation can be made anytime during the year. However, it is recommended that it be made in January/ February during the Anniversary Celebration of the 1st Marine Division. The sustaining donation may be added to your Anniversary registration application.
Call for more details 1-760-967-8561.  Don Reid, Committee Chair, 415 -776-5342 or June Cormier 760-967-8561
Chapter Scuttlebutt

News from the Chapters of the 1st Marine Division Association

CENTRAL FLORIDA [FL]

Tampa Bay Marines 235th Birthday Ball

Our Central Florida Chapter members Sergeant Bob Fincher and his lovely wife Olga attended this wonderful event with over 1,200 Marines and friends. This ceremony was hosted by Lieutenant General Thomas D. Waldhauser at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Tampa on November 6, 2010. Lieutenant General John R. Allen was the featured speaker and guest of honor.

Sergeant Bob was given special recognition by General Allen as the oldest Marine present, and given the opportunity to receive the first piece of cake. It was very emotional for Olga to watch as the youngest Marine pushed Bob back to her table in his wheelchair while the audience was giving them a thunderous applause.

The photograph from the ball illustrates that Bob and Olga are a very elegant and distinguished looking couple who met in Honolulu in 1971. Bob is a very proud Marine who served in combat against the Japanese at Guadalcanal in 1942 as a heavy machine gunner at the great battles at Tenaru River and Matanikau River. He was also at Cape Gloucester in 1943.

Olga was born in Harbin, Manchuria of Russian parents. When she was three years old, she and her family sailed into Shanghai when the Japanese planes had the city skyline on fire. She is noted for her Hula Dance, being from Hawaii, and Olga is also an accomplished artist.

The Central Florida Chapter of the 1st Marine Division Association is very proud to have Bob and Olga as our members, and they are two very good reasons why our membership remains friends forever.

Rick Kennedy, Rkennedy5thmar@aol.com

DALLAS [TX]

December was another busy month for the Dallas Chapter. As its principal community service project, our chapter supports the Dallas/Fort Worth Marine Corps Toys for Tots (T4T) campaign. During the 2010 T4T media weekend, the Dallas Chapter, manning the Wal-Mart Plano (TX) site, collected $12,847, 2,258 toys, and 14 bikes.

As one of seven sites organized for the media weekend, during the 2010 campaign we collected $120,849 in donations, 17,067 toys and 103 bikes. Even in these difficult economic times the generosity of the greater Dallas/Fort Worth communities prevailed, ensuring that the area’s needy children experienced the joy of Christmas.

Culminating the year, the Chapter hosted its annual Christmas/Awards dinner at the McCormick & Schmick’s Restaurant in North Dallas. The focus of the dinner was to honor the Recruiting Station Dallas “Rookie Recruiter of the Year.”

RS Dallas played a supporting role in the Chapter’s Reading Raider Program, assisting the Dallas School District students improve their reading comprehension. Unfortunately, the program ended, but our Chapter Secretary, Bob Jebavy, was a staunch advocate of the program and always enjoyed his time with the students and the Marine Recruiters.

Bob passed away in June of 2010. To commemorate his memory, the Chapter named the Rookie Recruiter of the Year award in his memory. The awardee of the inaugural Bob Jebavy Award was Sergeant Stephanie Deason, of RSS Mesquite, Texas. Pat Jebavy, Bob’s widow, presented the award to Sergeant Deason. Also present for this occasion were Major Karl Tinson (CO) and SgtMaj Robert Young of the RS.

Unfortunately, the year ended on a sad note with the passing of our Chapter Secretary & Charter Member Joe Walker. “Plano Joe,” as we fondly knew him, was a Korean veteran serving with B/1/7, attaining the rank of Captain. Following his tour with the Corps, Joe worked in private industry until 1962, when he joined NASA during the Kennedy Administration.

While serving with NASA, Joe worked on a myriad of programs including Gemini, Apollo, Skylab & the Space Shuttle. Joe retired from NASA in 1982.

Walt Schmick, Walter.Schmick@kiewit.com

NEW YORK [NY]

Our events included:

2010

• September 18th - The NY Chapter had its annual picnic at Eisenhower Park, East Meadow, NY. Seventy-five people (25 members/wives) came to enjoy corn on the cob, burgers, hot dogs, and various dishes prepared by our wives.

• September 25th - The Chapter took part in the Annual POW Candlelight Vigil at 8 p.m. at Eisenhower Park.

• October 2nd - President James Stasio attended the Gold Star Families Remembrance of our Fallen Heroes, at Eisenhower Park, NY.

• November 5th - Eleven members, along with their wives, were
New York Chapter members and guest at 2010 Christmas party (L-R) James Stasio, Marianna Winchester, Michael Carone, Edmund Farah

at the Marine Corps Birthday Bash of the Sunrise Detachment MCL, Massapequa, NY, at the Chateau Briand, Carle Place, NY.

• December 14th - We held our Annual Christmas Party at the Milleridge Inn Cottage, Jericho, NY. Honored Guests were Michael Carone, National President, and Marianna Winchester, Gold Star Mother and Honorary Member of the Chapter. President Carone presented her with a brooch in appreciation for her endeavors in raising funds for the National Scholarship Fund.

• December 18th - Pat Cassetta was the focal point behind the Children’s Christmas Party at the 1st Marine Corps District, Garden City, NY. The youngsters, children of the District’s Marines, had an excellent time. Pat’s daughter Jeanne was Santa’s Helper.

2011

• January 7th - Our Chaplain and National Chaplain, Msgr. Walter Murphy, represented us at Calverton National Cemetery in Calverton, New York at the burial honoring 20 homeless veterans (2 are Marines). He bestowed a Blessing and a Prayer.

It was a most solemn ceremony.

Neal Mishik, Secretary, 55 Dewhurst Street Staten Island, NY 10314 718-761-5442, funnyguns@aol.com

TENNESSEE (TN)

We are bouncing back after drifting for a few months. We met on 8 January 2011, elected new officers, and scheduled some productive activities.

Our members are in full gear again.

Otto Melsa, 6119 Ridgeway Dr. #1, Memphis, TN 38115

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I suffer with advanced peripheral neuropathy. No other cause can be established. All the other crew members are deceased.

GySgt Richard Bickford, 8717 Como Lake Dr., Jacksonville, FL 32256

Editor’s Note: Just for the record, we include this item of information regarding former methods of mosquito control:

Modern Mosquito Control

Not so very many years ago, mosquito control consisted primarily of the use of thermal fog trucks that sprayed a mix of pesticide such as DDT or Malathion and diesel fuel which was vaporized with heat, and created a thick and smelly fog. This killed mosquitoes, but also released an unnecessarily large amount of pesticide into the environment. This was later determined to be a temporary fix which was neither ecologically nor economically sound. Modern mosquito control methods favor utilizing a wide variety of control methods in what has come to be known as Integrated Pest Management (IPM). IPM involves surveillance, source reduction, biological controls, larviciding, barrier sprays, public education, and when necessary, adulticiding (pesticide). Source: http://www.hillsboroughcounty.org/publicworks/transmaintenancemoqusitocontrol/moqusitocontrol.cfm

DDT in cans

Many years ago, at a Liberty Bell Chapter meeting, we had a speaker from the VA. He talked mostly about Agent Orange. But, he asked the Korea-era Marines if we remembered being issued a small green can of DDT powder that we were told to sprinkle in our sleeping bags to kill lice and other insects. (I slept in the same sleeping bag for 14 months with much DDT in it.) He said we could have contracted chloracne** from it, and encouraged us to sign up with the VA.

I had been going to a dermatologist for many years around that time, with not much success. Adding 2 + 2, I came up with 5, feeling that my doctor wasn’t familiar with it, so I signed up with the VA.

I was told by the head doctor of dermatology at the VA that I did not have chloracne! He said he didn’t know what it was, so he had a sample taken from each leg for a biopsy. He did say that it wasn’t psoriasis. For whatever reason, there is no record of this in the VA records.

VA has been treating me for many years (at no cost to me) in Philadelphia. For a few years, I had gone to the Wilmington, DE VA as well. In the meantime, the VA diagnosed me as having PTSD, and it is so noted as service-related on my VA ID card. It is all on my legs, none in the groin area.

In the reserves, and after the cease-fire, I slept without trousers. That’s about it for DDT.

Approximately a year ago, I read a letter in OBN about mustard gas, possibly from someone at the VA trying to help a Marine about this. I called the phone number listed and left a detailed message about this subject. I was one of about 28 Marines who went to Ft. McClellan (now Anniston Army Depot) for CBR (chemical, biological, radiation).

While there, we all had a specimen of mustard gas applied to our left forearm to show what it would do. I still have the scar to prove it! Could you look that up? I never received a reply.

Sgt. Ralph M. Delaney, 503 St. Kitts Drive, Williamstown, NJ 08094, (856) 875-0161

** Editor’s Note: Chloracne is an acne-like eruption of blackheads, cysts, and pustules associated with over-exposure to certain halogenated aromatic compounds, such as chlorinated dioxins and dibenzofurans. The lesions are most frequently found on the cheeks, behind the ears, in the armpits and groin region. It is often associated with Agent Orange exposure during military service.

DDT was used in Korea

An article in the Oct/Nov/Dec 2010 issue written by Gary McCord mentions the use of DDT in Korea. I was in Korea 1951/52 with I/3/5.

By March 1952 it was my turn to be rotated home. That sure was a wonderful feeling. Before I got aboard the ship, the Medics had something like a grease gun full of a white powder. They shot us all with that powder under our sleeves, backs, pants—all over. It sure as hell was not flour. It was DDT—although I don’t recall being told so.

I guess the Navy wanted to make sure that we did not bring in any lice or bugs aboard the ship. After all, we were combat infantry Marines who slept, ate, and did everything else on the ground.

I would like to hear from anyone who served in Korea in 1951/1952 with I/3/5

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