

MAY, 2014 NEWSLETTER

THE CORPS

Civilians cannot and will not understand it, because they are not one of us.

We love it, live it and shall die for it. If you have never been in it, you will never understand it.

TUN TAVERN TEAM

**WES AHLGREN MIKE BALES CARL BROOKS MAC DUBE DAVID
FRANKLIN CHARLIE GARBARINI DEAN HUNTER SAM HUTTENHOWER FRANZ
JEYNE JIM LARSH JIMMIE MARTIN GENE MCCLENDON GEORGE
MOFFATT MARILYN PAIGE RICHARD PARTEE JACK RABINOWITZ BILL ROSS
RAY SCHUM BOB SHEPARD DAN SILVERS **GEORGE STETTLER** **JIM
SULLIVAN** **DALE TURNER** **QUINT VILLANUEVA** **COL MIKE WALKER**
MICHAEL WALKER MYRL WALLACE LINN WILEY**

NAMES IN BOLD HAVE RENEWED THEIR 2014 MEMBERSHIP IN TUN TAVERN TEAM.

MAY ACTIVITIES

MAY 8TH, THE DESERT HOT SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL WILL HOLD THEIR ANNUAL AWARDS CEREMONY AT THEIR GYMNASIUM BLDG. AT 1900.

THE CHAPTER WILL PRESENT THE SEMPER FI AWARD TO CADET PETER ORELLANA. GEORGE STETTLER WILL MAKE THE PRESENTATION.

ALL MEMBERS AND SPOUSES ARE INVITED TO THIS EVENT. IT WILL LAST ABOUT ONE HOUR.

MAY 15TH MEETING

FOR THE FIRST TIME IN OUR HISTORY, WE WILL HAVE A LUNCHEON TO HONOR THE WIDOWS OF CHAPTER MARINES. WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT. SPOUSES ARE INVITED TO THIS LUNCHEON. TICKETS ARE \$20.

WE PLAN TO RECOGNIZE EACH WIDOW AND PRESENT HER WITH A CORSAGE AND A SMALL GIFT TO COMMEMORATE HER SPOUSE'S SERVICE AS A MARINE.

GUEST OF HONOR / SPEAKER WILL BE COL MATTHEW L. JONES, C.O. TACTICS & OPERATIONS GROUP, 29PALMS.

LTCOL CARL LEWKE (RET.) WILL BRING CADET PETER ORELLANA, THIS YEARS WINNER OF THE CHAPTER SEMPER FI AWARD, AS ONE OF THE TOP CADETS GRADUATING FROM THE JROTC PROGRAM. ORELLANA HAS ENLISTED AND WILL REPORT TO MCRD THIS SUMMER. HE WILL WEAR HIS DRESS BLUES.

UNIFORM OF THE DAY WILL BE BLUE BLAZERS, CHAPTER SHIRTS & KHAKI'S. PLEASE LET BRUNO KNOW THAT YOU ARE COMING SINCE RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED.. SHOW UP AND SHOW YOUR SUPPORT.

MAY 26TH MEMORIAL DAY. REMINDER, THAT THERE WILL BE CEREMONIES HELD IN DESERT HOT SPRINGS, PALM SPRINGS, CATHEDRAL CITY, INDIAN WELLS AND COACHELLA. I ENCOURAGE YOU TO PARTICIPATE AND PAY YOUR RESPECTS TO THOSE WARRIORS WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES FOR OUR COUNTRY.

JUNE 19TH MEETING

GUEST OF HONOR AND SPEAKER WILL BE COLONEL JAY BARGERON, C.O., 7TH MARINE REGIMENT. HE WILL GIVE US AN UPDATE ON THE REGIMENT AND HOW THE 1/7 IN IS DOING IN AFGHANISTAN.

JUNE 20-21

MARINE CORPS BASE BARSTOW. THE MARINE HORSE MOUNTED COLOR GUARD WILL HOST A BARBECUE FOR THE FMDA. PLAN TO ARRIVE FRIDAY AFTERNOON FOR A RECEPTION AT THE HOLIDAY INN. DINNER WILL BE PROVIDED. BRING A 1.75 LITRE OF YOUR FAVORITE BOOZE FOR ADMISSION TO THE HOSPITALITY ROOM.

SATURDAY MORNING WE WILL DRIVE TO THE BASE FOR A TOUR OF THE HORSE MARINES FACILITIES AND A HOSTED BARBECUE.

LA COUNTY, PHOENIX AND ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER MEMBERS ARE ALSO COMING, SO IT WILL BE A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO MEET OTHER MARINES. WIVES ARE ALSO INVITED AND WILL HAVE SEPARATE ACTIVITIES.

PLEASE LET DALE TURNER, WHO IS COORDINATING THE EVENT, KNOW THAT YOU ARE COMING AND FOR MORE INFORMATION (661)253-1981.

JULY 17TH MEETING

BRIAN NESTANDE, CANDIDATE FOR THE REPUBLICAN NOMINATION FOR CONGRESS WILL BE THE GUEST OF HONOR.

TAPS

CHUCK ADRAINSON, FORMER CHAPTER MEMBERS, PASSED AWAY IN EARLY APRIL. CHUCK AND HIS WIFE WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MARINE CORPS SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION. CHUCK WAS A KOREAN WAR VETERAN.

A MEMORIAL SERVICE WAS HELD ON APRIL 12TH FOR FRIENDS, FAMILY AND FELLOW MARINES.

WOUNDED WARRIORS UPDATE

AS THE WAR IN AFGHANISTAN WINDS DOWN THERE ARE FEWER MARINES COMING IN TO THE WOUNDED WARRIORS DETACHMENT. THE DETACHMENT HAS DECREASED IN SIZE AND WILL COMBINE WITH THE BATTALION AT CAMP PENDLETON.

WE HOSTED ANOTHER BARBECUE WITH CHOICE N.Y. STEAKS (FROM JENSEN'S) THAT WERE GRILLED TO PERFECTION BY THE INCOMPARABLE TEAM OF COL MIKE WALKER AND CHARLIE GARBARINI. THANKS AGAIN TO MIKE BALES, CHARLIE GARBARINI, DICK PARTEE, GEORGE STETTLER, BRUNO TAKACS, QUINT VILLANUEVA AND COL MIKE WALKER FOR THEIR PRESENCE AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR MAKING THIS SPECIAL EVENT ANOTHER HIT WITH THESE MARINES.

FUND RAISING

THOSE THAT KNOW ME, KNOW THAT MY PASSION HAS BEEN TO RAISE FUNDS TO SUPPORT OUR MARINES OF THE 7TH MARINE REGIMENT AND THE WOUNDED WARRIORS AT 29 PALMS. EVERY YEAR IT SEEMS THAT WE DO A BETTER JOB AS WE GET MORE EXPERIENCE AND MOMENTUM IN OUR DESERT CITIES.

WE ARE OFF TO A GOOD START IN 2014 WITH OUR ANNUAL EASTER FUND RAISING AT JENSEN'S MARKET. WE NEED TO SALUTE BOB FERGUSON, JIM LARSH AND DICK PARTEE WHO WORKED TWO SHIFTS OVER THE TWO DAY PERIOD. WE ALSO WANT TO RECOGNIZE MIKE BALES, HARRY ZIEGLER, GEORGE STETTLER, JACK MENNIS, JIM OLSON, JACK RABINOWITZ, GENE MCCLENDON AND BOB SHEPARD. THANKS TO FRIEND OF THE CHAPTER, JOE SANDERS FOR PITCHING IN SINCE WE WERE SHORT ON VOLUNTEERS FOR THE SATURDAY BEFORE EASTER.

BOB SHEPARD HAS COME UP WITH A FUND RAISING IDEA. ON MAY 7TH, HE HAS INVITED HOMEOWNERS AT THE INDIAN RIDGE COMMUNITY TO HEAR COL MIKE WALKER GIVE A PRESENTATION ON THE GLOBAL THREATS TO THE UNITED STATES. THOSE INTERESTED ARE ASKED TO MAKE A \$100 DONATION TO THE CHAPTER. FOR THOSE THAT CAN'T COME, HE IS ASKING FOR A DONATION.

SHEPARD AND QUINT VILLANUEVA, WHO ALSO RESIDES AT INDIAN RIDGE, ARE PROMOTING THE EVENT AND ASKING THEIR FELLOW HOME

OWNERS TO SUPPORT IT.

WE WELCOME ANY IDEAS THAT WOULD HELP THE CHAPTER WITH FUND RAISING. CONTACT ANY OF OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEMBERS. WE WILL LISTEN TO ANY REASONABLE IDEAS.

FUNNY QUESTIONS PROSPECTIVE RECRUITS ASK RECRUITERS

“CAN I BRING MY CELL PHONE TO BOOT CAMP?”
“ARE WE ALLOWED TO HAVE A PLAY STATION?”
“ARE THERE STRESS CARDS?”
“WHEN DO I GET A WEAPON?”
“DO MARINES GET PAID?”
“WILL I EVER GET A DAY OFF?”
“ARE THERE FEMALE MARINES?”
“DO I HAVE TO GET MY HAIR CUT?”

-MARINE CORPS TIMES-

GOD BLESS AMERICA

SEMPER FIDELIS

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