

## **OCTOBER, 2012 NEWSLETTER**

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### **SEPTEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup> WOUNDED WARRIORS DAY**

**LtCol Ted Wong led 20 of his Marines to the Santa Rosa Golf Club for 18 holes of golf and a barbecue. The Chapter had 24 members and wives there to support the event.**

**Prizes were presented to the Marines for their participation in the golf tournament. Prizes were donated by Santa Rosa Golf Club and Sgt Grit Marine Specialties.**

**The management and members at Santa Rosa Golf Club did a great job in welcoming the Marines and ourselves to their club. They had some young ladies from the College of the Desert golf team there to provide morale and help for the Marines. The Club also prepared tri tips in a smoker and served it with corn on the cob for lunch. Their kitchen staff baked special cup cakes with a “Thank You” for each of the Marines. The SRGC also produced custom caps with the Wounded Warrior Battalion logo for the Marines and our members.**

**We are invited back to the SRGC for a future function.**

**NEW MEMBER**

**Please join me in welcoming LtCol Harry Ziegler, USMC (Ret.) aboard. Harry served 1952 - 1974 as a fighter pilot. He was awarded the DFC, Air Medal, Vietnamese Gallantry Cross (Silver Star) among other awards for his service.**

**Harry and his wife Geri live in Rancho Mirage. He is also active in the Marine Corps League and the Young Marines. He is an active supporter of the ASYMCA at 29 Palms and is often seen hauling a trailer or station wagon load of donations to them.**

**OCTOBER 18<sup>TH</sup> MEETING**

Col. Mike Walker will return to give us the Part 2 of his in depth presentation on the history of amphibious warfare. Those of us that heard Part I will certainly look forward to hearing Part 2.

**7<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL WARRIORS APPRECIATION STEAK BARBEQUE**

This year we will hold the barbecue on Saturday, October 13, 2012 at the MCAGCC, 29 PALMS. Marines from the 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines, 7<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment will be our guests. The menu will feature our traditional New York Choice Steaks barbecued by the grill team from Coyote Kitchens. Tickets are \$25 and must be purchased in advance.

This battalion is the one that we supported last year by collecting donations and shipping to Afghanistan 3,100 lbs of socks and baby wipes. (That is a lot!). Now, the 3 / 4 is in intensive training for their next deployment in early 2013. We will have 100 of their single enlisted Marines as our guests at the barbecue. This is a great time to mingle with these young warriors and enjoy the camaraderie.

Please consider sponsoring Marines to help with the costs for hosting them. Thanks to Mike Bales, Mac Dube Frank Gillette, Dave Franklin, Charlie Garbarini, Frank Gillette, Mike Holquin, Ray Schum, George Stettler, Pete Van Vechten and Ray Wilburn for already donating to sponsor two or more Marines.

## OCTOBER 28<sup>TH</sup>, PALM DESERT GOLF CART PARADE

ALL MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PATRIOTIC EVENT. THE THEME IS "AMERICAN PRIDE". THE UNITED STATES MARINES LEAD OFF THE PARADE WITH A COLOR GUARD FROM THE 3<sup>RD</sup> BATTALION 4<sup>TH</sup> MARINES, 29 PALMS AND THE 1<sup>ST</sup> MARINE DIVISION BAND FROM CAMP PENDLETON. OUR CHAPTER WILL FOLLOW THE BAND DOWN EL PASEO DRIVE.

TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PARADE, MEMBERS SHOULD WEAR THEIR RED COVERS, WHITE CHAPTER SHIRTS AND KHAKI TROUSERS.

THIS WILL BE OUR SEVENTH YEAR IN THE PARADE. WE WILL HAVE AN 8 PASSENGER GOLF CART WITH OUR WORLD II MARINES AND MARILYN PAIGE ON BOARD. WE ARE HOPING THAT DICK PARTEE WILL HAVE HIS DRIVERS LICENSE RENEWED IN TIME TO PILOT THE CART. THE REST OF US WILL ROUTE STEP THE ¾ MILE PARADE ROUTE. THANKS TO J R THOMAS, ELECTRIC CAR DISTRIBUTORS, FOR PROVIDING US AN 8 PASSENGER CART ONCE AGAIN.

WE WILL HAVE A POP UP TENT IN THE VENDOR AREA RECRUITING NEW MEMBERSHIP AND OUR FUND RAISER WITH JENSEN'S MARKETS .

AFTERWARDS, MEMBERS AND SPOUSES ARE INVITED OVER TO THE SULLIVAN'S. STANDARD ADMISSION IS A BOTTLE OF WINE OR BEER AND AN APPETIZER. WE ALWAYS HAVE FUN GETTING EVERYONE TOGETHER TO TALK ABOUT THE PARADE AND THE EXCITEMENT THAT THE MARINE BAND WILL GENERATE.

## **237<sup>TH</sup> MARINE CORPS BIRTHDAY BALL**

**The Wounded Warriors Battalion have invited the Chapter to attend their Ball on October 30<sup>th</sup> at the Pechanga Resort & Casino Resort, Temecula. Tickets are \$65 per person. Civilian attire will be dark suits. Ladies dressy. Group hotel rate for the Birthday Ball attendees will be \$109.**

**To make your reservation, please mail a check payable to the 1stMarDivAssn, P O Box 10856, PD, 92255 by October 12th. We will reserve several tables to accommodate our members. Table space will be first come first served. Hotel reservations should be made directly at (905) 506-4575. Be sure to identify yourself as attending the Marine Corps Birthday Ball.**

## **MARINE CORPS BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON**

**The Marine Corps League's annual luncheon to celebrate the Marine Corps Birthday will be held on Friday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at the Miracle**

**Springs Spa and Resort, Desert Hot Springs.**

**Cadets from the DHS High School Marine JROTC program will be there in uniform. Guest of honor / speaker will be LtCol Chris Escamilla, CO of the 3/11. Tickets are \$35 and must be purchased in advance.**

**The Chapter has purchased a table of 10. If you would like to be seated with us, please buy your ticket through us. Send your check to our P O Box 10856, Palm Desert 92255.**

#### **ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISER**

**Once again, we will partner with Jensen's Fine Foods to raise money for deployed families of Marines and for the families of the Wounded Warriors at 29 Palms. This will kick off on Friday, November 2 and Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> and subsequent Thursdays (except Thanksgiving) and Friday through December 15<sup>th</sup>.**

**We need your support by volunteering to work a 3 hour shift (11 - 2 or 2 - 5) at either the Palm Springs or Palm Desert stores. We will have sign up sheets at our October 18<sup>th</sup> meeting. Members will wear our white chapter shirts and red covers when working a shift. Volunteers will be asked to work both locations.**

**This fund raiser will receive more publicity and promotion from the Jensen's ad agency, so we are expecting bigger and better things this year. We will also enlist media support to create community awareness as to how they can support the families of Marines.**

***GOD BLESS AMERICA***

***SEMPER FIDELIS***

**Jim Sullivan, Editor**