



Desert Cities
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JULY, 2012 NEWSLETTER

TUN TAVERN TEAM

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SHEPARD GEORGE STETTLER JIM SULLIVAN DALE TURNER COL.
MIKE WALKER MICHAEL L. WALKER MYRL WALLACE LINN WILEY**

**TUN TAVERN TEAM MEMBERS RENEWED FOR 2012 ARE LISTED IN BOLD. JOIN OR
RENEW FOR \$100 ANNUALLY.**

JULY 19TH MEETING

Major General Mel Spiese will be the honored guest and speaker. MGen Spiese is the Commanding General of 1st Marine Expeditionary Brigade, Camp Pendleton. Thanks to **George Stettler** for arranging his appearance.

Please make a reservation since we are expecting a big turnout of members and veteran Marines and Corpsmen guests.

WOUNDED WARRIORS UPDATE

We held a Career Day for these Marines at the Community Center at 29 Palms on June 27th to get started with assigning Marines to one of our volunteer mentors. There were 18 Marines there which we assigned each one a mentor to help them with their transition into civilian life. Thanks to **Dick Partee, Bill Ross, Bob Shepard, Pete Van Vechten, Mike Walker** and non members Jim Dowler & Dr. Joe Sanders for making this a success. We will plan another Career Day in late July to assign another group of Marines.

On Friday, September 7th we will host these Marines for a 18 holes of golf and a barbecued N Y Steak lunch at the Santa Rosa Golf Club, Palm Desert. This club has already donated a round of golf for four and now us come to off their club for this special day. They are very patriotic! We will need some help with this event and will be asking for your support.

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Bill Ping, 1998-2002
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FUND RAISING**BOB SHEPARD**

Earlier this year, **Dan Silvers** arranged for a local chef to donate \$1200 through her Cathy Cooks Gourmet Chef program.

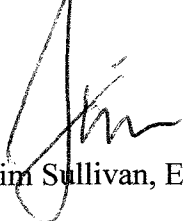
Marilyn Paige raised over \$2,000 for the Chapter through the **Jimmy Wheeler Memorial Fund**. Most of the donations came through Jimmy's friends and neighbors.

I have taken on the task of upgrading our master mailing list. The list is a key source for our communicating to the community on our activities and need for financial support. A couple of months ago we called for your help to increase the mailing list from 225 names to 500 names. We have received help from eight members to get the mailing list up to 275 names.

We need everyone to pitch in and support this effort. Please consider names of friends, neighbors, current and past employers, business associates, vendors, etc. Please e-mail your names to me at boboshepard@yahoo.com

PALM DESERT GOLF CART PARADE

Theme for the 2012 parade will be *AMERICAN PRIDE* which should be a great one for the 1st Marine Division Association. We are working on bringing the Marine Band up from Camp Pendleton. They have indicated interest and will confirm in August. The parade will be on Sunday, October 28th and as you should know a fun fun event,

GOD BLESS AMERICA ON OUR 236TH BIRTHDAY***GOD BLESS OUR CORPS*****SEMPER FIDELIS,**

Jim Sullivan, Editor