



## **MARINE CORPS DISBURSING ASSOCIATION**

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**September 2017**



### **PRESIDENT**

A wonderful time was had by all at the New Orleans Reunion. Fifty members and guests attended. Events enjoyed by the group, included a bus tour of New Orleans, Mardi Gras World tour and dinner, the memorial service and dinner. Other activities included riding the street cars, the markets, the exciting World War II museum and of course the night time entertainment. A big thank you, to the Saint Charles hotel staff, including our bus drivers and tour guides for helping us all enjoy this interesting city. Also, a big thanks to all who supported the very successful annual golf tournament held in June!

Semper Fi, Greg Bucholtz, President  
[gmbucholtz@everestkc.net](mailto:gmbucholtz@everestkc.net)

### **MCDA Board of Directors:**

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### **WE CHANGED OUR ADDRESS**

Effective immediately our new mailing address is:

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New Phone Number: **(760) 458-2655**

### **MEMBERSHIP DUES INCREASE**

The membership approved a \$5.00 increase in our membership dues. Effective January 1, 2018 the 2 year membership dues will be \$30.00.

### **MCDA BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES: May 24, 2017, New Orleans, LA**

Membership: 178

(165 combat veterans/13 non-combat veterans). Combat percentage: 92.7%.

### **MEMBERSHIP APPROVED:**

- 1) Honorary membership for Janet Lagle
- 2) An increase in membership dues to cover increased operating costs to \$30 effective January 2018.
- 3) Treasurer & Secretary Kevin Gascon
- 4) Nominating & Scholarship Committee Chair Bennie Helton, effective 2019.
- 5) 2019 East Coast reunion site, Charleston, South Carolina.
- 6) The West Coast for the 2021 reunion

## **MEMBERS RECOGNIZED**

For her contributions of an original design MCDA quilt to be raffled at each of our reunions since 2003 Mrs. Janet Lagle was recognized with an honorary membership to the Association.

For her ten years of service as Secretary Mrs. Glenda Soloy was recognized with a Certificate of Appreciation.

For his 10 years of service as chairman of the Nomination Committee and chairman of the Scholarship Review Committee Mr. Robert Roquemore was recognized with a Certificate of Appreciation.

For his 14 years of service as Treasurer Mr. Michael Thiry was recognized with a Lifetime Achievement Award Plaque.

## **MEMBERSHIP VOLUNTEERS:**

- 1) Web Master: Robert (Bob) Easter
- 2) 2019 Reunion Committee Chair:  
Kevin Gascon
- 3) 2019 Reunion Committee members:  
Bob Easter, Paul & Lynne Filla
- 4) Making 2019 Reunion Disbursing Quilt:  
Lynne Filla

## **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Beginning Balance 1/16:	\$14,540.68
Ending Balance 12/31/16:	\$11,485.61

## **EILEEN "CHIP" VAN KIRK MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT**

Our annual EILEEN "CHIP" VAN KIRK MEMORIAL golf tournament was held on June 16, 2017 in Lee's Summit, Missouri. Local MCDA volunteers raised \$2,337.16 after expenses, with all the proceeds going to the SHELLY STOKLEY SCHOLARSHIP FUND. If you wish to assist MCDA in this effort, make your check payable to MCDA with an annotation for "scholarship fund". Mail your tax-deductible donation to:

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## **2017 SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED:**

Congratulations to the following 2017 MCDA scholarship awardees.

**Taner Moulton**, grandson of MGySgt William Hildenbrand, will be attending Eastern Carolina University.

**Christian Jones**, son of GySgt Kevin Jones, will be attending Coastal Carolina Community College.

The Association offers scholarships to any Marine veteran, their spouse and children and grandchildren. Applications will be accepted through April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018. For application instructions and forms visit our web site [usmcdisbursers.com](http://usmcdisbursers.com).