



## **MARINE CORPS DISBURSING ASSOCIATION**

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### **PRESIDENT**

Sure hope all is well with you and yours as we move further into 2018. I need you to mark your 2019 calendars for May 19-23. Yes, those are the dates reserved for our next reunion. The membership unanimously selected the historic city of Charleston, SC for the site of what will undoubtedly be another fun-filled event. Additionally, I'm happy to announce that we have successfully completed another iteration of our annual recognition program for active duty Marines. Please read on....

Semper Fi, Greg Bucholtz, President  
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### **2019 MCDA MEETING/REUNION**

You are all invited to attend the 2019 Marine Corps Disbursing Association biennial meeting and reunion in Charleston, South Carolina, May 19-23, 2019. You do not have to be a supporting member of the Association to join us in Charleston or to participate in any of the events. It is a great opportunity to renew old acquaintances and to make new friends.

We will be staying at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. The daily room rate is \$136.00 plus tax for single or double occupancy and includes two breakfast buffets. This rate is also available three days prior or three

days after our event if you plan on an extended stay. On site parking is free and the hotel provides a complimentary airport shuttle. The hotel will start accepting reservations on June 1, 2018. Please do not hesitate to book your hotel room well in advance of the reunion dates in order to guarantee yourself a blocked group rate.

When you call, be sure to provide the **reservation code of: Marine Corps Disbursing Association** to ensure you receive our room rate of \$136.00 plus tax. Phone number is (843) 744-4422.

We are still working on scheduling events for our visit to Charleston and will provide that information as soon as it is finalized. Keep an eye on our website for updates.

### **MCDA WEBSITE MAINTENANCE**

In September of 2017 we had a turnover of the webmaster/administrator for the website, and in addition, had to migrate to another site-builder application. This process is still ongoing, therefore some of the info on the site (POCs, membership and other forms with the new address, alpha member listing, directory, etc...) still needs to be updated and will be as soon as the migration is complete. We appreciate your patience in this manner and look forward to the new website being operational soon.

## **MARINES HONORED**

Continuing our program to recognize our active duty Marines for their professionalism in the finance field, each Disbursing and Finance Office identified one SNCO and one NCO that performed their duties in a superlative manner and provided significantly to the overall success of the office mission throughout the 2017 calendar year. The Association presented each selectee with: a Certificate of Commendation, a personalized plaque for their display, an association Challenge Coin, and a two-year membership to the Association. We are proud to recognize the following selected Marines:

### **Regional Disbursing Office–West**

Master Sergeant Manuel Ramirezsanchez  
Sergeant Kyle A. Houser

### **Regional Disbursing Office–East**

Master Sergeant Curtis R. Williams  
Sergeant Deanne R. Patlan

### **Regional Disbursing Office–Pacific**

Staff Sergeant Robert K. Newquist  
Sergeant Theresa M. Batt

### **Finance Office, National Capital Region**

Staff Sergeant Travis Titopace  
Sergeant Kayla Rakes

### **Finance Office, MCB Hawaii**

Staff Sergeant Gina Curry  
Sergeant Amanda M. Leon

### **Finance Office, MCRD San Diego**

Staff Sergeant Alejandro Montoyamunoz  
Sergeant Martha L. Diaz

## **SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS DUE**

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

## **SHELLY STOKLEY SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

We are busy preparing for our annual fund raiser, the **EILEEN “CHIP” VAN KIRK MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT**, scheduled for June 15<sup>th</sup>. 100% of the proceeds from this event go to the SHELLY STOKLEY SCHOLARSHIP FUND. As a result of this effort and the generosity of our membership we have been able to award over \$25,000 to deserving recipients. You can help us continue to “take care of our own” with a contribution of your own. Your donation is tax deductible and will be recognized in our list of donors provided at the golf tournament. Make your check payable to MCDA with an annotation for “scholarship fund” and mail to the above heading address.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

Our Association currently has 227 active members. If you are not a member, we would like you to consider joining us. Utilize the enclosed registration form or print one from our website and mail to the above heading address. An updated membership list will be placed on our website after the current migration.