



**MARINE CORPS RESERVE
OLD TIMERS CLUB
NAS BROOKLYN, N.Y.**

10 November 2020

**From: Richard DeSimone
President
Marine Old Timers Club**

To: All Members

Subj: Annual Report 2021

I am very pleased to report that **all 37** present members of the MOTC responded "Here!" to the Club's "Wellness Muster":

Paul Anderson	Steve Baxter	Bob Baumert	Bob Beavis	Bob Burns
John Cappelmann	Tony Cavalier	Tom Christie	Nick D'Andrea	Rich
DeSimone	John Gawley	Joe Hillis	Ray Krout	Lew Loeven
Tony McHugh	Bill McShea	John Mishik	Neal Mishik	Tom Murphy
Jesse Murray	Don O'Hanlon	Lou Patella	Ted Pettine	Tony Pizza
Dick Polk	Ray Pucci	Brian Putney	Bill Reddan	Andrew
Rohman	Mike Schatz	Fred Shaffer	Tom Simmons	John Stafford
Ernie Stoukas	Ken Udcoff	Al Vicarelli	Tom Walsh	

It is great to know that all of the above are safe and that they are putting up with the present situation as best as can be expected. On the reverse side of this page you, will find a few personal notes from some of the above regarding their coping, status etc.

The Club's Treasurer reports a financial balance of \$690.

As you know there has been an announcement that a promising effective vaccine for Covid-19 is expected to be available shortly. Therefore, it is very possible that the Club may be able to hold its **2021's Annual Sunday Brunch**. So let us set the date of **October 24, 2021** (4th Sunday in the month) for our **63rd Reunion**. **The place and time for our gathering will be determined**. Further, if conditions permit for us to assemble even before that date, you will be notified ASAP.

In the meantime, please continue to stay safe and strong.

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Rich
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“...we are adjusting as best as we can to the “new norm” and anxiously awaiting the vaccine...miss hugging our two sons, two grandchildren, other family members, and friends, etc...”

Joe Hillis (81)

“...hearing impairment not covered by Medicare or Tricare -- only, possibly, by V.A...going thru Phell just to see if I am covered by V.A...commercial health insurance is worthless...”

Dick Polk (79)

“...still above ground -- all is well...thanks...Semper Fi...”

Bob Beavis (77)

“...I believe the last roster has me as 73 which I’d like but on 4/15/2020, I turned 76...”

Brian Putney (76)

“...siblings, children, grandchildren and great grandchildren and cousins are all doing well, thank you...my vote is for a brunch late Spring 2021 and next October also...Semper Fi...”

John Stafford (72)

(Thanks to all of the above for their comments.)

Remember to check out the Club’s website: www.VMA-131.net

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