



Patriots 4 Pendleton Monthly Newsletter April 2026



CURRENT AND UPCOMING EVENTS

P4P's Founding Patriots

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All American Petroleum
Brian Chuchua
Christopher & Cecilia
Hopper*

P4P's Patriot Partners

*Adele Ray
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Anaheim Hills Rotary
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Orange County (CPOC)
Dale K. Lyle
Dorothy (Dash) Cotter
Dwight Reilly
Earl Kelso
Elaine Lenz
Hunsaker & Associates
Kiwanis Club of Greater
Anaheim
Knights of Columbus
Council 9195
Kris Weber
Lucille Bolduc
Orange Lutheran Lancer
Baseball
Shirlene Upward
Silver Family Foundation
Pastor Victor & Theresa
Chayasirisobhon
Vietnam Veterans of
America, Chapter 756
Villa Park Women's
League
Vision Calvary Chapel
Wilson Automotive*

Every April, all month long, we celebrate the courage, perseverance and tenacity demonstrated by our military-connected children, youth and teens and what they mean to our community. This special celebration of military children was established in **1986** by **Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger**. Secretary Weinberger was a WWII Veteran and father of two who realized the unique sacrifices and challenges military children faced as a result of their parent or parents' military service.

There are more than 1.6 million military children who face many challenges and unique experiences as a result of their parents' service. While military members serve around the world, we often forget the challenges faced by their children. Military families move on average every two to three years, impacting military children through changing schools and support networks.

Purple is the official color of the military child. It's a combination of all the colors of the U.S. Armed Forces: Air Force, Navy, and Coast Guard **blues**; Army **green**, and Marine Corps **red**. Programs and activities that are similar across all branches of service are called "**purple**." **Patriots 4 Pendleton** is proud to support military children year-round and are always in awe at how polite and kind these children are in addition to being brave, strong and resilient.



"The official flower of the military child is the dandelion. Why? The plant puts down roots almost anywhere, and it's almost impossible to destroy. It's an unpretentious plant, yet good looking. It's a survivor in a broad range of climates. Military children bloom everywhere the winds carry them. They are hardy and upright. Their roots are strong, cultivated deeply in the culture of the military, planted swiftly and surely. They're ready to fly in the breezes that take them to new adventures, new lands, and new friends.

Author ~ Unknown



OUR MISSION STATEMENT

To assist military personnel at Camp Pendleton and to serve their families by providing financial, educational and social enrichment programs as they face the unique challenges of military life while standing ready to selflessly defend our country. We will inspire and encourage members of the community to join us as we honor, support and show appreciation to the Marines, Sailors and their families and will afford opportunities for the community to do so through various outreach programs throughout the year.

Get Involved

Write

If you would like to send a letter or card of support to a member of the 15th MEU, please write to:

“Any Marine”
c/o Chaplain Paul Rodgers
15th MEU
P.O. Box 555365
Camp Pendleton, CA 92055

Say a Prayer



Donate

We are happy to answer any questions you may have; please feel free to contact us by phone at **714-637-5575** or by email patriots4pendleton@gmail.com

There are several ways you can donate:

Donate through **Zelle** using our **email address**

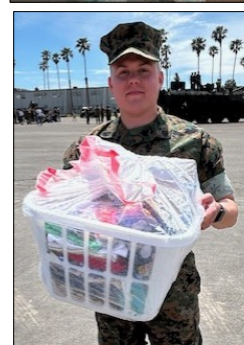
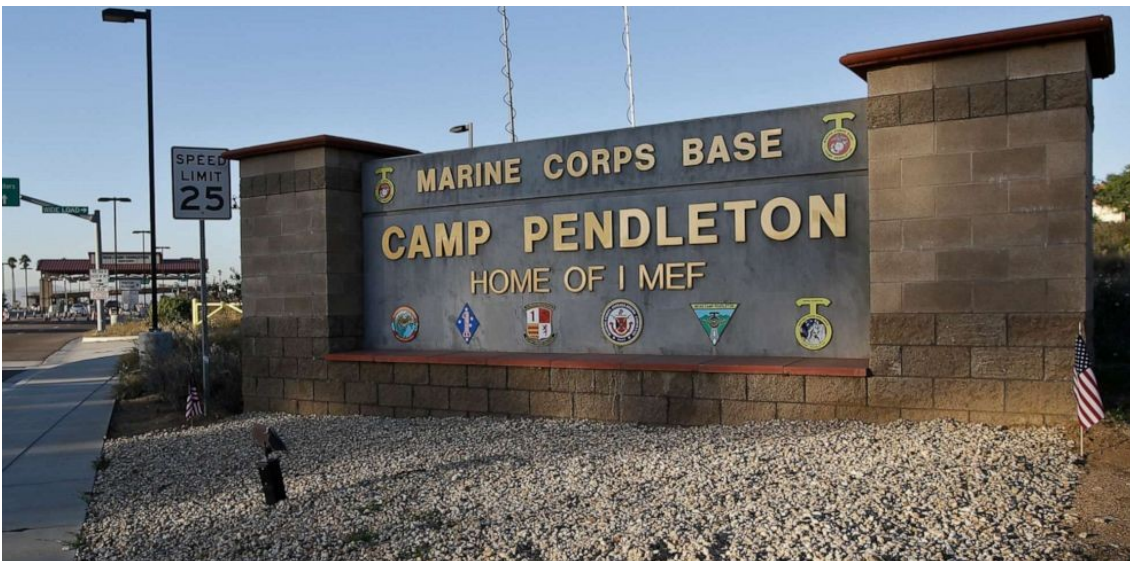
Donations can be **mailed** to Patriots 4 Pendleton
154 Jerrilee Lane,
Anaheim, CA 92807

You can donate through the link on our website page which can be accessed [here](#) or you can donate through our square account by clicking [Donate](#)

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All donations are tax-deductible as allowed by law.

Thank You
FOR YOUR SUPPORT



A few more of the baby baskets delivered to Camp Pendleton – what a blessing to be able to support our new families with these baskets. This delivery was so special as we got to deliver the basket to the new parents. We’ve got another round of baby baskets being delivered next month. If you’re interested in donating items towards those, please call Carolyn at 714-637-5575.

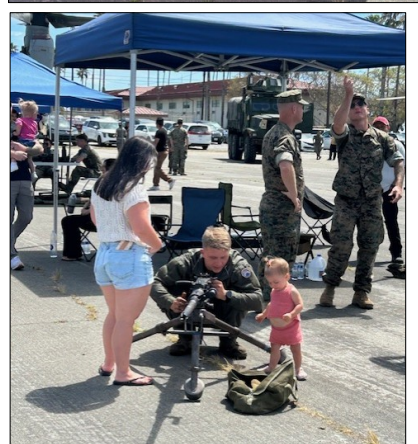
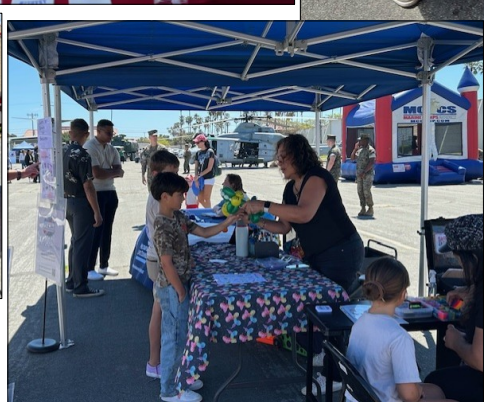
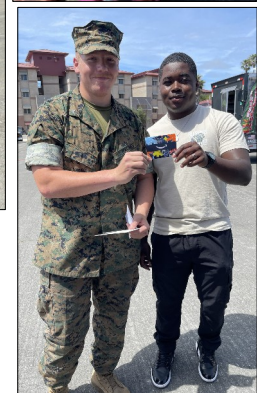


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What a fun day we had on April 10 at the **13th MEU Family Fun Day** which **P4P** was honored to support by providing the face painter, the balloon artist, the band, handouts donated by the **City of Anaheim** (Thank you Anaheim!), 2000 bottles of water and 80 plastic tablecloths. The Marines demonstrated equipment that goes with them on deployment and the kids enjoyed getting up close to the equipment and other items used on deployment. The 13th will be training as a unit in preparation for their upcoming deployment. Thank you to our amazing military families for their selfless service - they are simply the best of the best. Please pray for their safety during the upcoming training exercises and deployment.





A big THANK YOU to **Wilson Automotive** for once again donating so many cute Easter baskets and to **Vikki Murphy** and **Shannon Schaefer** and to members of **Lion's Heart** for assembling the baskets. Thank you also to members of the **Conservative Patriots of Orange County (CPOC)** for their wonderful donation of baskets, gift cards and chocolate bunnies. Thank you to **Donna Baranyay** of CPOC for coordinating their Easter Basket Drive. **Wilson Automotive** and **CPOC** have been long time supporters and we can't thank them enough. Thank you to all those **individuals** who donated as well. We were able to bless an additional unit this Easter – the **5th Marine Regiment**. **All glory to God!**

