



# Patriots 4 Pendleton

## Monthly Newsletter

### March 2023

#### Easter Basket and Gift Card Drive

With Easter just around the corner it's time to start collecting wrapped Easter baskets and gift cards for our Camp Pendleton families. Our focus will be on the 15th MEU but our goal is to assist several additional units again this year. We have two units in the 1 MEF that are deployed and we are hoping to be able to love on the families of both. It will take all of us working together to achieve our goal and we are confident that we will be successful in blessing these families. In addition to Easter baskets we are collecting gift cards for not only the teenagers, but also for the single Marines who are not able to go home for Easter, as well as door prizes. Patriots 4 Pendleton is honored to host Easter dinner again for the 15th MEU. Easter is a season of renewal and restoration and the difference made for these families by everyone's kindness really does make more of an impact than you'll ever know. Monetary donations are also accepted; we'll be happy to shop for you. Please see attached flyer for more details. Enjoy these pictures from last year's event; seeing them makes me want to run out and get items for the baskets I'll be putting together to donate !!! It really is so much fun !!! Our families continue to be blessed and we can't thank you enough !!!



#### 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.

#### CURRENT AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Easter Event  
St. Patrick's Day Family Event

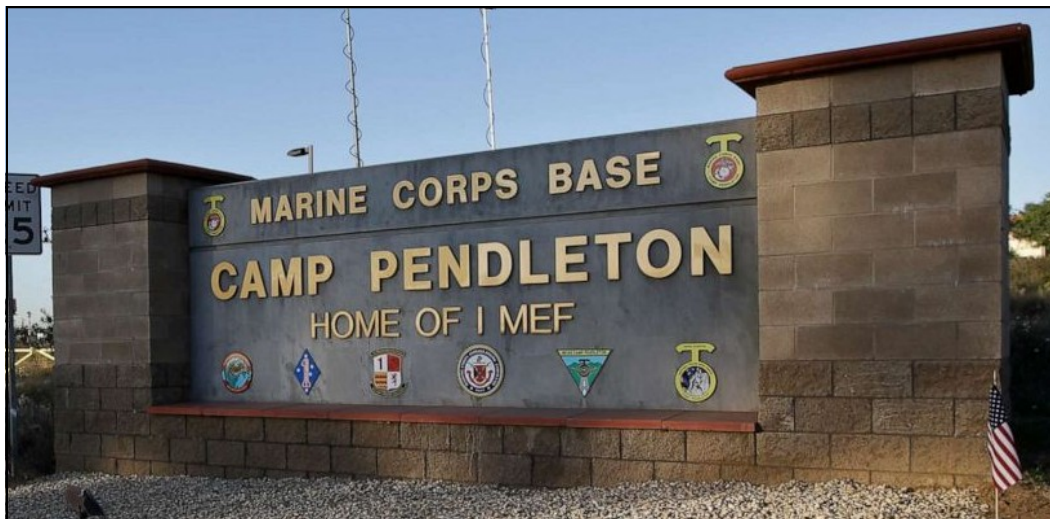
#### P4P's Founding Patriots

*Jerry Zomorodian -  
All American Petroleum  
Brian Chuchua  
Christopher & Cecilia  
Hopper*

#### P4P's Patriot Partners

*Anaheim Hills Rotary Club  
Conservative Patriots of  
Orange County  
Earl Kelso  
Hunsaker & Associates  
John Lavender  
John Sheffield  
Kiwanis Club of Greater  
Anaheim  
Knights of Columbus  
Council 9195  
Kris Weber  
Lillian Treiberg  
Lucille Bolduc  
Meghan Shigo  
Nikki Karell  
Orange Lutheran Lancer  
Baseball  
Ralph & Winnie Harp  
Rhona Gewelber  
Transformation Health &  
Wellness  
Veteran Air  
Vietnam Veterans of  
America, Chapter 756  
Vision City Church  
Wilson Automotive*





## 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](mailto: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 Jerilee 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



National K9 [Veterans Day](#), March 13, is a day set aside to honor commemorate the service and sacrifices of American military and working dogs throughout history.

It was on March 13, 1942, that the Army began training for its new War Dog Program, also known as the "K-9 Corps," according to American Humane, marking the first time that dogs were officially a part of the U.S. Armed Forces.

The rest, as they say, is history. Officially a part of the service or not, the dogs of war span centuries and include such heroes as Sgt. Stubby, the original war dog; Chips, the most decorated dog in World War II; Lex, who retired with his fallen owners family; and Cairo, the Navy SEAL working dog on the Osama bin Laden raid.



**Patriots 4 Pendleton** is happy to be sponsoring the **15th MEU's** St. Patrick's day event which will be the second family event this year. If you'd like to donate to help with the cost of food and door prizes please mail your donation to the address shown to the right. Please be sure to write St. Patrick's Day on the memo line so that your donation will be ear-marked for this specific event. Last year's event was a big hit. Thank you !!!



Dawgs of War- Veteran K9 Memorial located at Camp Pendleton



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# EASTER BASKET AND GIFT CARD DRIVE

***Sponsored by  
Patriots 4 Pendleton***

**"Here comes Peter Cottontail hopping  
down the bunny trail" and he is inviting  
everyone to help him deliver joy and love to  
the families of the**

## **15th Marine Expeditionary Unit**

***You can put a smile on the faces of our 15th MEU  
families by donating a wrapped Easter basket for one of  
our kiddos, a \$20 gift card for one of our teenagers or a  
\$25 gift card for one of our single Marines.***



**Donations or checks made payable to Patriots 4  
Pendleton can be mailed or dropped off at:  
154 Jerrilee Lane  
Anaheim, CA 92807**

**Please call (714) 637-5575 if you have any questions  
or to arrange for a pick-up**

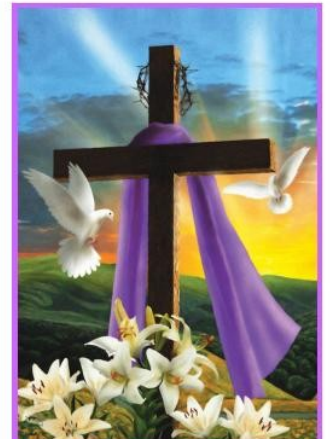
***This is a great project for your church, your school, your  
club, your family, your office or a group of friends.***

**Deadline date for donations is April 1**

**HAPPY EASTER**

**Thank you !!!!**

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## UNITED STATES MARINES

Marines have a history. They have fought in every major and minor engagement in which the United States of America has ever been involved. Marines are the presidents guard. Marines are the best we have to offer as a nation. Marines have a tradition. Marines do not surrender. Marines do not leave their dead on the battle field. Marines have an honor. Marines die for that honor. Marines are Americans in the highest sense.

Honor, courage and commitment are the values that guide us - Semper Fidelis is the motto that bonds us. To guard our nation is to guard it's principles, becoming not only an elite warrior, but also a noble one.



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**LEADERSHIP IS A POTENT COMBINATION OF STRATEGY AND CHARACTER. BUT IF YOU MUST BE WITHOUT ONE, BE WITHOUT THE STRATEGY.**

- Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf

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