

PATRIOTS 4 PENDLETON

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Patriots 4 Pendleton Monthly Newsletter October 2023

THANK YOU to **Anaheim Hills Rotary Club** for their continuing support of Camp Pendleton Marines, Sailors and their families, most recently with their donation during our Back to School Supplies Drive. The Rotarians are a wonderful group of men and women who make philanthropy a way of life and *P4P* and our military are blessed to have their support.



Since 1985, the members of the **Anaheim Hills Rotary Club** have been helping their local community as well as communities around the world. Their members come from diverse backgrounds with many different talents, skills, and experiences. Whether they are feeding the hungry in OC, helping to eradicate polio around the world, or bringing the Anaheim Hills community together for a fun event, their goal is the same - to serve others. The **Anaheim Hills Rotary Club** is part of **Rotary International** consisting of a global

network of 1.4 million neighbors, friends, leaders, and problem-solvers, with no single religious affiliation, who see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change - across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves. Rotarians adhere to the following Code of Conduct, otherwise known as the Four Way Test: Of the things they think, say or do...

Is it the TRUTH ? Is it FAIR to all concerned ? Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS ? Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned ?

P4P can personally attest to the fact that the members of the **Anaheim Hills Rotary Club** adhere to their Code of Conduct and we are blessed to have such a wonderful group of people who are willing to step out and assist so many members of so many communities, here and around the world.

With gas prices on the rise, along with everything else, *P4P* was blessed by **Jerry Zomorodian** of **All American Petroleum** with a donation of ten (10) \$50 ARCO gas cards which will be given to Marines who can use a little extra help during these challenging times. Jerry is a huge supporter of our military and first responders and has been doing so much for years to lend his support to both.

Thank you Jerry for your generous support and for your love of country and for those who serve her.



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

**Thanksgiving Gift Card
Drive**
**Christmas Toy and Gift Card
Drive**

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
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John Sheffield
*Kiwanis Club of Greater
Anaheim*
*Knights of Columbus
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Rhona Gewelber
*Transformation Health &
Wellness*
Veteran Air
*Vietnam Veterans of
America, Chapter 756*
Vision Calvary Chapel
Wilson Automotive



Thank you to **Chris Orange** for inviting P4P to apply for the **Nourishing Neighbors Program** sponsored by **Gift Card Bank**. The program is open to nonprofit organizations and only those nonprofits who have been nominated by a local store can apply to be a participant in the program. We applied with much gratitude to **Chris** for nominating us. Thank you to those who review and accept participants from the applications received. We are happy to tell everyone that we were selected to participate in the program !!! During the month of November local Albertsons, Vons and Pavillions stores will be raising funds to help provide meals to families in need. The funds raised are donated to approved participants in the form of grocery store gift cards. **Gift Card Bank** is a nonprofit organization that specializes in the distribution of gift cards and their mission is to improve well-being and build financial stability by supporting people through their time of need. These gift cards will be given to families, who will be chosen by unit leadership, in several different units who are in need of a hand up during the holidays and will go far in helping to offset the cost of their holiday meals. What an amazing blessing for our Marines and their families. We are so grateful to **Chris** and the wonderful folks at **Gift Card Bank** for their love and support of our young military families. We are so excited and blessed and can hardly wait to present these cards to families at Camp Pendleton, many who have no idea where their holiday meal will be coming from and who will be pleasantly surprised to receive such a gift from members of the community.

Our local Albertsons that will be participating in raising funds for our Marine families is located at 810 S. State College Blvd (at South Street) in Anaheim.



The blessings keep coming and we extend a huge **Thank You** to **Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 756** for their recent very generous donation. We all owe a debt to our Vietnam Veterans for their service and for the disgraceful way they were treated. They vowed to never allow any returning members of the military suffer what they did and they do so much to keep that vow. Thank you to these amazing veterans for their continuous support and for their service !!

It's hard to believe that the holidays are just around the corner and they are not only the busiest months but the most wonderful as well. In addition to the grocery gift cards that we will receive through the **Nourishing Neighbors** program we will be collecting donations of gift cards. The more we receive, the more families we will be able to assist - and we'd like to support a record number of units this season. Our Christmas toy drive will begin next month as well. Because of the upcoming deployment the number of families, kiddos, teens and single Marines in the 15th MEU this year is so much higher; we have a lot of work to do in order to meet the needs. Watch for details on both programs soon. We are excited to see what we can accomplish together !!



Stay Connected

We hope that you'll visit, like and share our page. To access us, you'll just need to type in the name **Patriots 4 Pendleton** in the search bar.

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 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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Thank You
FOR YOUR SUPPORT



As the 15th MEU prepares to deploy they are training with the units that they will be deploying with. In order for the families to meet with each other family events are held. P4P was honored to host a bowling party complete with pizza and soft drinks at Leatherneck Lanes located on base on Saturday, September 16.

It's so important for the spouses and families to meet each other as they become such an amazing support group for each other during their Marine's deployment.

Everyone had a great time and new friendships were planted.



There are still a few days left to sponsor a Marine - due to deployment training, the 15th MEU's Birthday Ball is being held early this year and will be celebrated on October 12.

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INVITES YOU TO SPONSOR A MARINE

Join our Patriot Community in sponsoring a Camp Pendleton Marine at the Marine Corp Birthday Ball Celebration this Fall. The Marine Corps Ball is an annual celebration that commemorates the founding of the Marine Corps on November 10, 1775. This is a tradition dating back to before the Declaration of Independence and celebrates the many sacrifices made by Marines to protect that Declaration and this country - from 1775 to this present day.



Attendance at the Marine Corp Ball is **mandatory** for active Marines and includes a revered ceremony which passes the sword of history from generation to generation. We are soliciting sponsors to purchase Marine Corp Ball tickets for lower ranking Marines (E-6 status and below) so to ease their financial burden. **Ticket cost is \$75 per Marine.** We hope that you will join us in showing appreciation for the brave men and women who proudly serve our country.

How to make a donation to sponsor a Marine:

- 1) Make checks payable to Patriots 4 Pendleton and mail to:
154 Jerrilee Lane, Anaheim, CA 92807**
Please write Birthday Ball on the memo line on your check
- 2) Visit patriots4pendleton.com and click the donate tab**

Help our 15th MEU Marines celebrate the USMC as they turn 248 this year!!

For more information contact patriots4pendleton@gmail.com or 714-637-5575

*Patriots 4 Pendleton is a 501c3 organization so your donation is tax deductible.
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most needed.

