

Patriots 4 Pendleton Monthly Newsletter March 2022



What a great evening Marines from the **Ist Intelligence Battalion** had on February 26 while in town !! Thank you to all the "Patriots 4 Pendleton" who made it possible and for showing our Marines the love !!!! May God bless those who bless others !!!

Breaking News !!!!!

Our non-profit application along with our Articles of Incorporation have been approved by the Secretary of State and our EIN number assigned. With that EIN number we were able to open our bank account. To all who have been patiently waiting, we can now accept checks which should be made payable to Patriots 4 Pendleton. You can also donate through our square account by clicking here:

Donate



Thank you to Mamie Yong Maywhort and Homefront America for the fabulous Valentine goodies for our 15th MEU kiddos. Your kindness is much appreciated !!!!

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

Dress up the Barracks
(Ongoing)
Recent Donations
6 patriotic box fans, 11
floor rugs and 2 shower
curtains !!!



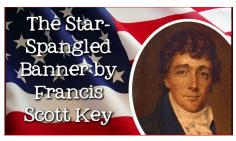
March - April

Easter Baskets and Gift
Card Drive
Please refer to attached
flyer to see how YOU can
show our 15th MEU love
and appreciation for all
they do! We love working
together to make a big
difference!!



If you are interested in making a donation in support of our 15th MEU Marines, Sailors and their families, please call us at 714-637-5575 or you can send us an email by clicking here: patriots4pendleton@gmail.com

NATIONAL ANTHEM DAY ~ MARCH 3



President Herbert Hoover signs a congressional act making "The Star-Spangled Banner" the official national anthem of the United States.

On September 14, 1814, Francis Scott Key composed the lyrics to "The Star-Spangled Banner" after witnessing the massive overnight British bombardment of Fort McHenry in Maryland during the War of 1812. Key, an American lawyer,

watched the siege while under detainment on a British ship and penned the famous words after observing with awe that Fort McHenry's flag survived the 1,800-bomb assault.

After circulating as a handbill, the patriotic lyrics were published in a Baltimore newspaper on September 20, 1814. Key's words were later set to the tune of "To Anacreon in Heaven," a popular English song. Throughout the 19th century, "The Star-Spangled Banner" was regarded as the national anthem by most branches of the U.S. armed forces and other groups, but it was not until 1916, and the signing of an executive order by President Woodrow Wilson, that it was formally designated as such. In March 1931, Congress passed an act confirming Wilson's presidential order, and on March 3 President Hoover signed it into law.

"Then, in that hour of deliverance, my heart spoke. Does not such a country, and such defenders of their country, deserve a song?"

- Francis Scott Key -

15th MEU History ~ From Amphibious to Expeditionary

In April 1983, the Commandant of the Marine Corps approved the original Marine Air-Ground Task Force (MAGTF) Headquarters concept, providing the sourcing for two Marine Amphibious Unit (MAU) headquarters.

The Commandant directed the establishment of two additional MAU headquarters in November 1985. As a result, the Headquarters of the 15th MAU was activated July 1, 1987, on Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, California.

The Commandant directed the replacement of the title "Headquarters" with "Command Element" in the titles of the MAGTFs in August 1987. The 15th MAU's designation was further changed in February 1988 to the 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU); both changes were made to accurately reflect the operational and expeditionary nature of the MAGTF.

Since its activation, the **15th MEU** has trained to provide a continuous presence in the Western Pacific, Indian Ocean, Persian Gulf, and as a ready MAGTF for the continental United States.

15th MEU Mission

The 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU) provides a forward deployed, flexible seabased Marine Air-Ground Task Force (MAGTF) capable of conducting Amphibious Operations, crisis response and limited contingency operations, to include enabling the introduction of follow-on forces, and, designated special operations, in order to support the theater requirements of Geographic Combatant Commanders (GCC) (from 15h MEU.Marines.mil)



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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 Scott Mason 15th MEU P.O. Box 555365 Camp Pendleton, CA 92055

Donate

For information on how you can make a donation, please call us at 714-637-5575

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THE MARINES' PRAYER

Almighty Father, whose command is over all and whose love never fails, make me aware of Thy presence and obedient to Thy will. Keep me true to my best self, guarding me against dishonesty in purpose in deed and helping me to live so that I can face my fellow Marines, my loved ones and Thee without shame or fear. Protect my family. Give the will to do the work of a Marine and to accept my share of responsibilities with vigor and enthusiasm. Grant me the courage to be proficient in my daily performance. Keep me loyal and faithful to my superiors and to the duties my country and the Marine Corps have entrusted to me. Make me considerate of those committed to my leadership. Help me to wear my uniform with dignity, and let it remind me daily of the traditions which I must uphold.

If I am inclined to doubt; steady my faith; if I am tempted, make me strong to resist; if I should miss the mark, give me the courage to try again. Guide me with the light of truth and grant me wisdom by which I may understand the answer to my prayer. Amen





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 <u>wrapped Easter basket</u> for one of our kiddos, a <u>\$20 gift card</u> 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 5

HAPPY EASTER

Thank you !!!!

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