

Life is full of unexpected things but always remember
that it's hard to beat a person who never gives up.
Savanah Crane

Blue Diamond News



FIRST MARINE DIVISION ASSOCIATION

FROM THE HEADQUARTERS



77th Anniversary Hotel Reservations

PLEASE REGISTER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE:

Pacific Views Lodge (Host Hotel) 760-763-7805

Ward Lodge 760-725-5304

Exciting News:

We have a couple new tours, one being a live shoot at range 116, they'll be shooting M-16's, and the other event will be visiting 3rd Tracks (Museum). Hope to see you all at the Welcome Aboard buffet on January 29th, 1700 at the Harbor House Cafe which is included in your anniversary registration fee.

**77TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
REGISTRATION FORM**

PLEASE CLICK LINK BELOW FOR REGISTRATION FORM

[PLEASE CLICK REGISTRATION FORM](#)

To all Life Member's,

We need your help with a one time gift of \$50 to \$100 donation to the General Fund for the financial needs of the Association. You can write off your donation on your taxes. It would be very much appreciated.

Thank you so much for all you do for the 1st Marine Division Association.

President Jerry Johs

1st Marine Division

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th Anniversary

January 29- February 02, 2018

50 / 50 Raffle
Tickets only \$10 each or 3 for \$20

Drawing will be conducted at the FMDA Anniversary Banquet
 January 2018
 (Need not be present to win)

50% of Funds Raised from Ticket Sales

NAME _____ ADDRESS _____ _____ PHONE _____ 50% of Funds Raised from tkt sales \$10 ea. Drawing Jan. 2018 at Anniv. Banquet 3 for \$20	<p align="center">50% Of Funds Raised from tkt Sales</p> <p align="center">DRAWING TO TAKE PLACE AT Anniv. BANQUET Jan.2018</p> <p align="center">(Need not to be present to win)</p> <p align="center">Mail stub and check to: 1st Marine Division Association, Inc. P.O. Box 9000, Box #902 Oceanside, CA 92051</p>
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Please click the link below to print the 50/50 Raffle Ticket

[**50/50 Raffle Form**](#)

SPRING BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING 2018

**PLACE: HOTEL ELEGANT'E CONFERENCE CENTER
(719) 576-5900**

**2886 S. CIRCLE DR.
COLORADO SPRINGS, CO**

**DATES: APRIL 17 2018 TRAVEL DAY
APRIL 18 2018 MEETINGS AND FOOD TASTING
APRIL 19 2018 TRAVEL DAY**

**HOTEL BOOKINGS START ON JANUARY 15 2018
RESERVATION CODE 2022196 CUTOFF DATE MARCH 27 2018**

COST: \$123.00 PLUS TAX

**FREE AIRPORT SHUTTLE FROM HOTEL TO COLORADO
SPRINGS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**

**USMC Fox 2/7 and H 2/1 (7/65-2/66), July 15 to July 20,
2018,
Hotel Elegante in Colorado Springs, Colorado.**

**Contact Ron Gryn at (352) 638- 2872 or email at
boatmanron@.com for reunion packet.**

IMPORTANT MEMBER INFORMATION

NOTE: A&D Updated Member List is alphabetical

AFFINION CHUBB (formerly HARTFORD INSURANCE)

One of our members called to confirm the Accidental Death & Dismemberment (AD&D) Insurance and she was told her policy was cancelled.

June Cromier called to verify and received an email from Jason Johns (Client Marketing Manager) below:

Good afternoon June,

Per our conversation earlier regarding the member who called in to determine why her policy was canceled.

When the AD&D program converted insurance carriers in 2015, the Hartford insurance carrier was ceasing all AD&D related business with Affinion. The CHUBB carrier which we converted to had limitations of coverage based on state and some states were not available under the CHUBB carrier. This member was in one of the states not supported and their insurance was canceled as a result. Notification were generated to anyone canceled during the conversion to alert them of their policy being terminated. If this particular member would like to speak with our office of the president, I can have a call placed to her to explain the situation and why her policy is no longer active. I would just need a contact number and the best time to be reached.

I've attached a full audit of all active records currently enrolled in the AD&D program. Please click here to see [A&D Updated Member List](#). If your member's have any questions, please contact customer service: **1-800-252-2148 M-F 8AM - 5PM CST**

Jason Johns
Client Marketing Manager

FROM THE MEMBERS/CHAPTERS

DONATIONS FOR 2017

"The time has come the Skipper said, to speak of many things: Of Boots & Packs & Ammunition, Donations & MREs!" It is year end and we all like to make Donations so we can write them off on our 2017 Tax returns. Of course, no goods nor services are in return for generosity and good deeds to the FMDA. Please send form below to make your 2017 tax deductible donation by email or use a stamp on the Christmas Card you intended to write to June stuffed with cash or check. This complies with the IRC regulations as a record.

Name: Tele #: Amount: Type of Card: Credit Card #:

GF Tax ID54-0621157
First Marine Division Association
P.O. Box 9000, Box #902, Oceanside, CA 92051.
june.oldbreed@fmda.us

THANK YOU

General Fund Donations:

Desert Cities Mitchell Paige MOH Chapter	\$1,000.00
California Delta Chapter	\$250.00

Also to all other members who so generously donated to the General Fund the total in the past week received at headquarters totaled
\$4,067.19!
Thank you!

GENERAL FUND DONATIONS

All FMDA Members please use your USAA card- the First Marine Division Association, Inc gets a small but helpful rebate.



By making your contribution by credit card, your donation can help more quickly the FMDA fundraising and administrative costs. (Note Credit Cards can be personal or Corporate.)

Type of Credit Card

Visa Master Card American Express Discover

Credit Card Number: _____ Expiration Date _____

Name as it Appears on Card: _____ Amount: \$ _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone Number: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Funds received in response to this solicitation will not be subject to federal contribution limits.

To have an immediate impact you may also contribute to FMDA while online at:

www.1stmarinedivisionassociation.org

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DECEASED

NAME:	DOD:
SgtMaj James H. Turner	07/20/2004
Sgt. John L. Wasson	08/25/2017

"Gone But Never Forgotten"

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