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## 65TH ANNUAL FAMILY REUNION: SEPTEMBER 17-22, 2019 RADISSON HOTEL BRANSON, MO. SIGN UP TODAY.

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

- 1200 Hospitality Room open throughout the reunion  
1300 - 1800 **Reunion Registration Open**

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

- 1000 - 1800 **Reunion Registration Open**  
0945 - 1445 SHOWBOAT BRANSON BELLE LUNCH CRUISE & MEMORIAL SERVICE  
1700 - 1930 Cash Bar Reception  
1700 - 1900 Welcome Meet & Greet with pizza, salad, and cobbler

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

- 0900 - 0930 Memorial Scholarship Fund Meeting  
1000 - 1100 Finance Committee Meeting  
1000 - 1200 **Reunion Registration Open**  
1300 - 1645 #1 HITS OF THE 60's  
1500 - 1800 **Reunion Registration Open**  
1730 - 1800 Banquet Table Reservation Sheets will be collected  
1900 Unit Meetings  
1900 For those not involved in unit meetings, meet in the Hospitality Room.

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

- 0930 - 1330 VETERANS MEMORIAL MUSEUM/ BRANSON LANDING  
1000 - 1200 **Reunion Registration Open**  
1400 - 1630 Board of Directors Meeting  
1500 - 1700 **Reunion Registration Open**  
1530 - 1600 Banquet Table Reservation Sheets will be collected  
1900 - 2245 SIX SHOW

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

- 0900 - 1200 Membership Business Meeting & Memorial Service  
0930 - 1230 LADIES TRIP TO BRANSON MILL CRAFT VILLAGE  
1230 - 1300 Board of Directors Organizational Meeting  
1300 - 1400 Chapter Presidents Meeting  
1600 Catholic Mass at Lady of the Lake Catholic Church  
1730 - 1800 **Reunion Registration Open**  
1800 - 1900 Cash Bar Reception  
1900 Banquet / Program

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

- 0700 - 0730 Protestant Church Service  
0800 Catholic Mass at Lady of the Lake Catholic Church (& 1030)

### CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY FOR ARMED FORCES REUNIONS, INC.

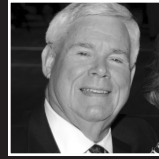
For attendees canceling reunion activities prior to the cut-off date, Armed Forces Reunions, Inc. (AFR) shall process a full refund less the non-refundable AFR registration fee (\$10/person). Attendees canceling reunion activities after the cut-off date will be refunded to the fullest extent that AFR's vendor commitments and guarantees will allow, less the non-refundable AFR registration fee. Cancellations will only be taken Monday through Friday from 9am until 4pm ET, excluding holidays. Please call (757) 625-6401 to cancel reunion activities and obtain a cancellation code. Refunds processed 4-6 weeks after reunion. Canceling your hotel reservation does not cancel your reunion activities.

## NEW ASSOCIATION CONTACT INFORMATION

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— 65th Annual Family Reunion, 17-22 September 2019, Branson, MO —

# President's Message



Hello Third Marine Division Family,

Our 3rd Marine Division Association 65th Annual Family Reunion is all set for September 17-22, 2019 in Branson, MO. at the Radisson Hotel Branson, 120 Wildwood Drive South, Branson, MO 65616. We will spend part of our Wednesday, September 18, on this beauty:



Branson is a very Veteran friendly town with lots of musical entertainment and stage shows. The Reunion committee left some time open so you can select your favorite shows to see on your own.

Reunions are great opportunities to see our friends, some we may have served with, and others we have gotten to know through these Reunions. Reunions are a great way to see parts of the country we may not have seen before. We always have fun events. There are lots of reasons to attend these amazing Reunions, so I hope you are making your plans now. **CHECK OUT THE REUNION INFORMATION IN THIS CALTRAP.**

Our Association Manager, Roger Bacon, has pointed out something in his column that I want to underscore as well. **In order to receive the CALTRAP, Life Members must pay a \$15 Annual Publication Fee. Regular Members must pay their annual dues.**

It is with great sadness that the Association's Judge Advocate, Andy Murray, resigned due to health reasons.

Andy has served the Association in many capacities for many years. My hope and prayer is for his good health and well being. He will now focus on that as his most important endeavor. I like Andy and Toni very much and hope to see them in the near future. Thank you for your many years of service in many different capacities.

We are very fortunate that immediate past Judge Advocate, Denis Retoske, has agreed to fill in for Andy for the rest of this term until we can elect a new Judge Advocate at the next business meeting in Branson. Thank you Denis for stepping up when we need you.

**Calling all Chapters.** Please let me know how we can help you with your Chapter. We are trying to assess what is going on and we are finding that age and mobility issues are very real issues that we are all dealing with. It's the same on the national level. We need to find ways to get new members, to keep active when we can, to communicate continually. We are an amazing group of Marines and families, and we are worth our best effort to keep it going. If you want to start a new Chapter, please let us know. We can do that! I know there are some very active Chapters and that is wonderful. Let's keep it going.

Congratulations to immediate past President, MajGen., USMC (ret), David Bice. He is now President of the Iwo Jima Association of America. He led almost 300 people to Iwo Jima for a joint reunion with Japanese Vets and families in March. The Iwo Jima Association is in good hands with Gen Bice at the helm.

Hope all is well, everyone. Feel free to contact me anytime.

Semper Fidelis,

Robert North

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## A MESSAGE FROM OUR TREASURER

My fellow Marines as the Treasurer of our Association I feel it is time that I provide you with an update of the financial condition of our Association. Last year at our annual Association Reunion I reported to the Officers and members in attendance that our Association was in poor financial condition. I am please to report that since that time there has been several changes in our management teams and in our policies and procedures. Those changes, along with your contributions, have helped to turn our financial position around. We are still not out of the woods, but after reviewing the first nine months of this fiscal year, I can tell you that after several years of losses we look to produce a small profit.

We still need to improve our contributions in the area of Membership Dues, Life Membership Publication

Assessment and Fidelity Donations. I would encourage all of you who have not done so please consider doing it now. I would also ask that those of you who have contributed seriously consider doing a little more. There are also several other areas where you can make donations, so please do so.

Our new Association Manager, Roger Bacon, and our new Director of Finance, Pat Conroy, and many others have done an outstanding job of holding down expenses, and in some cases, reducing expenses. We all know from personal experience how costs keep rising. It is because of these rising expenses that I have asked you to consider contributing a little more. You can make contributions through the envelope included in your issue of the Caltrap, or online with PayPal at [www.caltrap.com](http://www.caltrap.com).

When I was on active duty 65 years

ago there was always someone saying "Never Volunteer" - I say forget that and join with me in stepping forward and increasing our donations to this great Association.

I will be providing more information to you as time goes on.

Semper Fi

Paul E. Peterson  
*Association Treasurer*

### ***We're on Facebook!***

Check out our Facebook Group Page. Go online to Facebook, search Third Marine Division Association, click on the Association's Group Page. Ask to join and continue the conversation.

## CALTRAP

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## A THOROUGH 'AGENT ORANGE' GUIDE

If you are a Vietnam Veteran, read it and save it for future reference.

<https://vva.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/12/AgentOrangeGuide.pdf>

## Vietnam War Resources

Fellow Marines,

I am passing this along because it is probably the best search list ever compiled about the Vietnam War.

This simply has to be shared with anyone who ever served in Vietnam or knew someone who served in Vietnam.

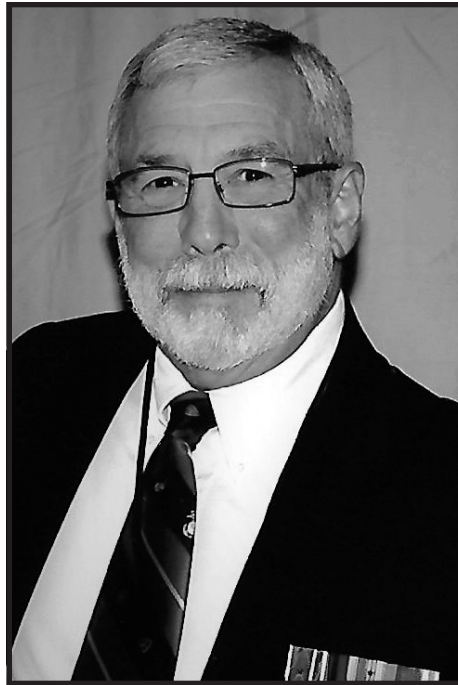
It would take months to look at everything this site offers.

<http://www-static.cc.gatech.edu/fac/Thomas.Pilsch/Vietnam.html>

*from Ron Deverick*

## FROM THE ASSOCIATION MANAGER

No one knew, especially me, the difficulties we would encounter moving our Association office from Pennsylvania to Ohio. Needless to say, it has been a growing experience. The roster contained over 20,000 names and addresses which included many deceased members as well as a larger number of bad addresses. Moving forward, it is hoped that family and/or members will notify the Association of these changes... both will save our mailing costs. The Caltrap is our most expensive mailing and the Post Office charges us to send, but also charges us for returning those with bad addresses.

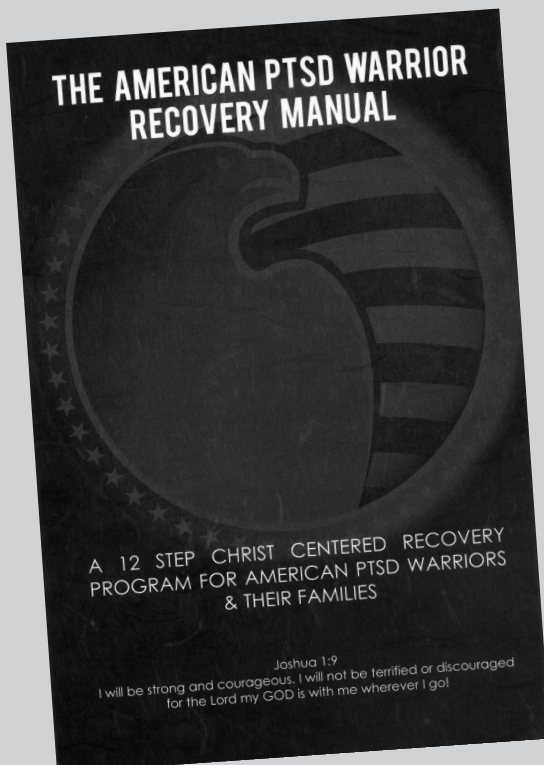


Speaking about the Caltrap costs, it was determined by the Board of Directors at the 2008 Reunion that **ALL LIFE TIME MEMBERS** were to pay a \$15.00 **ANNUAL PUBLICATION FEE** to help offset the increasing costs of the quarterly Caltrap. Many members have and continue to support this effort, but unfortunately, others have not. We again ask **ALL** members to contribute to the Caltrap.

### ***Whitisisms...***

*I was always taught to respect my elders, but it keeps getting harder to find one.*

## POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER



Jim Patrick, Ph.D., is a former Marine Captain and Vietnam Veteran who has earned a Bronze Star Medal and Purple Heart. For the past 50 years, he has dedicated himself to helping those with PTSD. Dr. Patrick conducts weekly counseling groups for Veterans and First Responders by teaching them coping skills through a 12-Step, Christ-centered recovery program.

### ***The American PTSD Warrior Recovery Manual***

is available on Amazon.com in both paperback and e-book.

For more information contact Dr. Patrick at 954-801-8793



# LEGACY GIFTS TO THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION ASSOCIATION

The legacy of the Marine Corps has been honed and shaped by the selfless and heroic service of legions of Marines dating back to the very birth of our Nation. Little did these men and women know that their service and contributions to the Nation and Marine Corps would be honored long after they hung up their uniforms. Likewise, members and supporters of the Third Marine Division Association, Inc. and help ensure the Association grows through legacy giving or inheritance bequests in order to continue providing educational and scholarship support and public outreach.



A bequest can be made in the form of a specific gift of cash or property, or a percentage of the remainder of an estate or asset.

## **GIFT TO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

I give to the **THIRD MARINE DIVISION ASSOCIATION, INC.**, a non-profit 501(c)(4) corporation, located in Lisbon, Ohio, organized and existing under the laws of the State of California, EIN 95-1865400, the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ [or \_\_\_\_\_% of the rest, residue and remainder of my estate or a description of the specific asset] to be used for the Memorial Scholarship Fund for the benefit of the Association

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You can make your legacy gift to the Association by:

1. Determining whether you would like to make a gift of a specific amount or asset or leave a percentage of your estate, and whether you would like to direct your gift to a specific program of the Association or leave your gift unrestricted, allowing it to be used for the Association's most pressing needs.
2. Taking the above bequest language to your estate-planning attorney to include in your will or living trust.
3. Contacting the Association to inform us of your gift so we can thank you and ensure your bequest will be fulfilled in the manner you intend.



The Third Marine Division Association, Inc. has existed since the end of World War II. The Marines and FMF Sailors who follow you in the Association will benefit from your foresight and your generosity.

The Third Marine Division Association, Inc., is organized as a non-profit corporation formed and existing under the laws of the State of California and is operated exclusively for social welfare purposes to promote the common good and welfare of the community as set forth in its ByLaws. The Association is recognized as tax exempt under IRS Section 501(c)(4). For information regarding the tax deductibility of any donor's contribution to the Association, the donor should contact his or her tax advisor.

# WHAT IS THE REUNION JOURNAL

The Reunion Journal is designed to highlight multiple information regarding the Association's and Marine Corps, letters from the Commandant, Secretary of Defense and the Navy, Governor of State and Mayor of reunion location. Plus, all dedicated page entries, numerous submissions honoring Marines past and present, business ads of companies loyal to the Marines, etc. And a major article relating to the history of the Third Marine Division.

Anyone can submit an ad, memorian, etc. Would you like to remember a fallen Marine, or a Marine you served with, a battalion, a family member, a business card? Regardless of what it is we honor your wishes.

For those who have not seen a Journal, it is a professional publication

and well received by all. Everyone who attends the reunion or places a submission will receive the journal.

This is another avenue of supporting this wonderful Association as well as promoting your business or honoring those who have meaning to you.

For all of you who through the years have supported this endeavor, THANK YOU, and I ask all who have not had the opportunity, please consider. Please share the *CALTRAP* with your family as you never know, they will find it of interest.

Please find my email address and phone number listed in the Reunion Journal form in this issue of the *CALTRAP*. Look forward to hearing from you.

Annette Loper, *Editor*



## Missing DD214 or Military Records

Get a copy of your DD214 or official military personnel record (OMPF)

**Discharged 1998 or earlier:**  
 National Personnel Records Center  
 1 Archives Drive  
 St. Louis, MO 63138  
*MPR.center@nara.gov* or *www.archives.gov/st-louis*  
 Phone: 314-801-0800  
 Fax: 314-801-9195

**Discharged 1999 or later:**  
 Commandant of the Marine Corps (MMRP)  
 2008 Elliot Road  
 Quantico, VA 22134  
*www.manpower.usmc.mil/webcenter/portal/MMRP20/RecordsRequest*  
 Phone: 800-268-3710

**Source:**  
*HQMC, M&RA, Separations & Retirement Branch*

# CALTRAP Advertising Member Assistance

Help your Third Marine Division Association by asking your local businesses, tourist, convention or recreation activities to advertise in the *CALTRAP*. Following is a suggested note to send to potential advertisers. Make copies, attach to the *CALTRAP* Advertising Contract, sign, and send it to those businesses and organizations who might want to advertise in the *CALTRAP*.



Dear \_\_\_\_\_,

The Third Marine Division Association's quarterly newsletter, the *CALTRAP*, reaches a worldwide audience of active duty, retired and veteran Marines, Sailors and families. The readers often enjoy travel, leisure, outdoor, and hometown activities along with brand loyalty. Please consider advertising in the *CALTRAP*. A contract agreement is attached for your convenience.

## Use 'PayPal' for Donations

The Third Marine Division Association has made it easier to donate to the General Fund or Memorial Scholarship Fund through PayPal.

Donors to these funds can now go to the Association website, [www.caltrap.com](http://www.caltrap.com), and you don't have to have a PayPal account to use PayPal for your contribution.

## NPRC Offers DD-214 Web Site

The National Personnel Records Center (NPRC) has a website for Veterans to get their DD-214s online by going to <http://vetrecs.archives.gov>.

NPRC is working to make it easier for Veterans with computers and Internet access to get copies of documents from their military files. Military Veterans, and the next-of-kin of deceased former military members, may now use a new online military personnel records system to request documents.

Other individuals who need documents must complete the Standard Form (SF)-180, which can be downloaded from the online website. Requesters are asked information essential for NPRC to process the request, so delays to fulfill the request will be minimized by using the website.



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Dear Association Member:

A lasting tribute to deceased loved ones or friends may be made through a Memorial Donation to the Third Marine Division Association's GENERAL FUND or MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND.

To make your Memorial Donation, complete this form, enclose your donation, and mail it to the Association business office. Your donation will be acknowledged, an appropriate notification will be sent to the person you designate below without indicating the amount of the donation, and you will receive a copy.

The Third Marine Division Association, Inc., has been granted tax-exempt status under Section 501(C)(4) of the IRS Code.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Association Manager: \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is my Memorial Donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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THIRD MARINE DIVISION ASSOCIATION'S

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Please send acknowledgement to:**

Name (First Name also, if known): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ 9-Digit ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Deceased (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

*(Please retain this form for use at appropriate time)*

## TRY THESE TO LOCATE A LOST BUDDY

<http://www.militaryconnections.com>

<http://www.thefew.com/mclinks.html>

<http://clubs.yahoo.com/clubs/USMarineCorpsReunionClub>



# NEW VEHICLE-MOUNTED ELECTRONIC TECH ENABLES MARINES TO COMBAT THREATS

By Matt Gonzales, MCSC Office of Public Affairs and Communication  
Marine Corps Systems Command | March 13, 2019



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*A U.S. Marine walks through a village wearing a backpack system used to counter remotely detonated explosive devices. Marine Corps Systems Command plans to implement a system similar to this device that can be mounted on any Marine Corps vehicle. (U.S. Marine Corps photo)*

Marine Corps Systems Command plans to implement a new form of technology that allows the Marine Air-Ground Task Force to identify enemy activity.

The technology employs a vehicle-borne tool that enables Marines to discern what happens inside the electromagnetic spectrum. It connects several independent electronic capabilities into a single unit and allows Marines to manage threats and reactions from a central location.

*“Marines are going to be able to make decisions on what they are*

*seeing,”* said Lt. Col. Thomas Dono, a team lead in MCSC’s Command Elements Systems.

Marines currently use systems to counter IEDs that block signals used by adversaries to remotely detonate explosive devices. The new technology is a man-packable and vehicle-mounted system, which will be able to be deployed on any Marine vehicle.

*“This emergent technology combines a number of current capabilities into one system, thereby reducing the need for additional training and logistic support to*

*manage multiple systems,”* said Col. Dave Burton, program manager for Intelligence Systems at MCSC.

Once fielded, the system will enhance situational awareness on the battlefield.

*“We will be able to do all of the functions of similar systems as well as sense and then display what is going on in the electronic spectrum,”* said Dono. *“Then we can communicate that to Marines for their decision-making process.”*

MCSC is taking an evolutionary approach that allows the command to field the equipment faster and



then gradually improve the capability as time progresses, Dono said. As the technology evolves, the Marine Corps can make incremental improvements as needed.

The Corps will work with Marines to test a variety of displays that track the electromagnetic spectrum, looking into each display's user interface. The command can then determine if improvements must be

made to ensure usability.

*"It's similar to what Apple does with the iPhone," explained Dono. "They have many different displays and they want to make it natural and intuitive, so it's not something that's chunky, confusing and has to be learned."*

MCSC plans to field the vehicle-mounted system around the first quarter of 2020. When implemented,

the equipment will continue to grow in capability to better prepare Marines to take on the digital battlefield.

*"This system is important because it is going to allow Marines to operate inside the electromagnetic spectrum, make decisions and act upon that information," said Dono. "That's something they've never had to consider or think about in the past."*

## The Recruit & The Squirrel

by Joseph P. Putkowski  
Illustrated by Toby Mikle

**"The Recruit and The Squirrel" follows a young United States Marine Corps recruit through his boot camp journey. As he navigates this new phase in his life, he finds comfort in an unlikely friend who helps him get through tough times.**

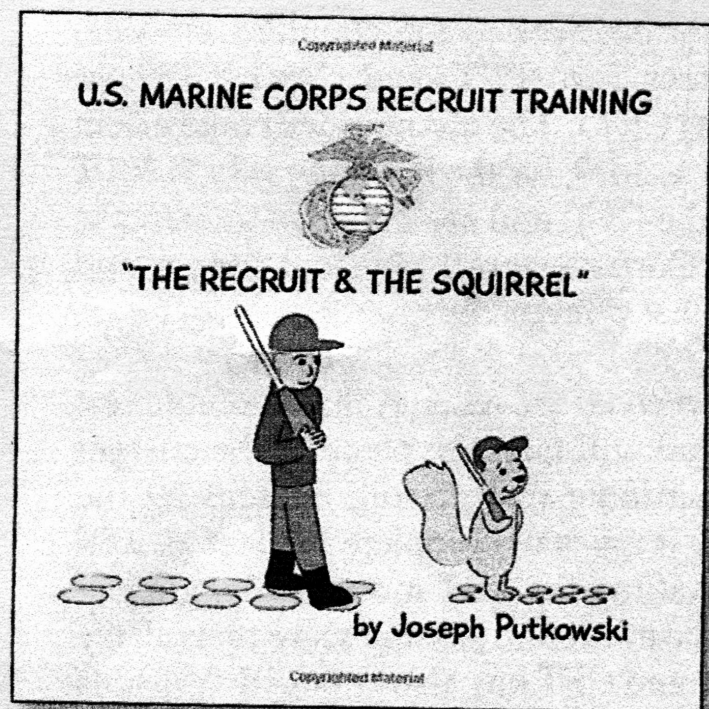
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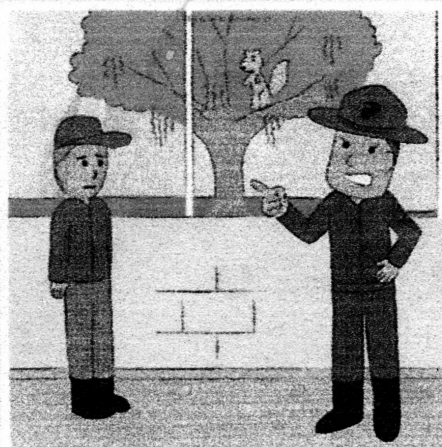
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### EXCERPT

**Inside the barracks I am standing on the red line at attention. I am looking straight ahead out a window, watching a squirrel playing in the tree. I think to myself, "I wish i could trade places with that squirrel. This drill instructor is hard as nails".**





# CHAPTER

## *Happenings*



### ARIZONA CHAPTER

The January meeting was held 19 January at American Legion Post #1 0900 meeting 0930 7th Avenue and Polk. We nominated and elected our new officers for 2019. As you see above, we are the same. It would be great to see some new blood come to a meeting. I saw you at the Sacaton Parade so I know you are around.

Richard is the treasurer and it is his duty to remind you that dues are payable in January. Please send your \$10.00 check to:

Richard Carmer  
15867 N. 17th. Way  
Phoenix, AZ 85022-3379

Please make the check out to: AZ Chapter 3rd. Marine Division Association and if you wish to donate more than the ten dollars that is okay by me.

#### **Arizona Remembers Our Fallen** March 22, 23, 2019

Please see the flyer and pass on to any Gold Star Family Members: Moms, Dad, Siblings, Spouses, Children any war, conflict operation. Dinner is 22 March 2019 at 1700 there is an RSVP. Sunrise Memorial Ceremony is 23 March 2019 at 0630-0830 Piesetwa Peak Park! Please park at the church as parking will be closed due to construction.

**Vietnamese Day Wesley Bolin**  
**April 28, 2019 0900**  
Semper Fi,  
Kathy Upchurch, *President*

### TEXAS CHAPTER

October 11 – 14, 2018, the Texas Chapter held our Fall Reunion in the beautiful and inviting Granbury, Texas. The downtown square with its great shops is a draw known far and wide. We had great attendance with many activities in store. What we also got was rain. I cannot remember having a paid event rained out at a Texas Chapter Reunion, but we had two in Granbury. *The Promise*, an outdoor spectacular production known around the world, was rained out. A visit

to a vineyard was also rained out. Two of our events in the same Reunion. Ouch! One of our outdoor events not rained out was at the Dinosaur Valley State Park, where there are dinosaur tracks in the river bottom, preserved by the perfect combination of scientific conditions and events. There are permanent tracks where you can walk among them. It was awe inspiring.

At our Banquet on Saturday night, we had a very inspiring speech by Texas State Senator Brian Birdwell, Lt. Col. (Ret). The Army veteran was awarded a Bronze Star for his service in Operation Desert Storm/Desert Shield. On September 11, 2001, when American Airlines Flight 77 was crashed just yards away from his second floor Pentagon office, Brian was critically wounded and severely burned. Of the burns that covered more than 60 percent of his body, nearly half were third degree in severity. Today, following 39 operations, months of hospitalization and numerous skin grafts, Brian has made a miraculous recovery. He received a Purple Heart from that tragedy, and later was awarded the Legion of Merit. Brian is involved in many non-profits, especially those involving veterans and burned veterans. His inspiring speech drew a rousing standing ovation.

Our Spring Reunion is April 4 – 7 in Huntsville, Texas.

Bob North, *President*

### WISCONSIN CHAPTER

Following 2 years of preparing for a Wisconsin Chapter the first meeting was held and 12 Marines came together. GySgt. Alan Loper USMC (Ret) was elected president. The chapter will be celebrating its 25th year anniversary in December.

It was a rocky start as 5 months later Loper passed away. The second president Max Collins was elected only to pass away shortly after. The chapter held together after electing its third president, Gordie Gillis. Since that time it has remained a strong, vibrant group. A year later the Association approved renaming the chapter to Alan Loper USMC (Ret) to honor his dedication to forming the chapter.

Over the 25 years we have grown to well over a 100+ Marines and family members. Our members are from Wisconsin, Minnesota, Illinois as well as North Carolina,

Texas and California. We presently have 3 active duty Marines. We are a very proud and active Chapter. Many of our members have served as officers for the Third Marine Division Association and continue to do so.

Our members have shown great courage and leadership. Two members have been kidney donors. One of the Marine donors was to a chapter member's daughter. And the other kidney donor to her brother-in-law. Another member had a double lung transplant and through this he continues to donate his time to veterans. Plus many members are volunteers in their community and dedicated to other veterans groups.

Our meetings are held quarterly throughout the State. It is a great way for members living in other parts of the state to have the opportunity to attend. Attendance has been steady, and the future looks bright. We support the Third Marine Division Scholarship Fund and General Fund and the Toys for Tots at our Holiday Meeting and other military causes.

We invite all to visit our website, [www.3rdmardiv.org](http://www.3rdmardiv.org) and join us at one of our meetings.

Semper Fi, Russ Zess, *President*

## 1ST BATTALION / 3RD MARINES CHAPTER

I want to thank all those that came to Our last Reunion in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Our Chapter was well represented by Marines and Corpsmen from all our Companies (Alpha, Bravo, Charlie, Delta, and H&S). We, in Charlie Company, had a couple (3 possibly more) of First Timers, and there was 6 of us from my 60MM Mortars crew that served together from Nov-Dec 67 till March 68 together. Wow, some had not seen the others since 1968. Our BUNKER was the place to meet and chat. It was a Great Reunion.

After returning home from the reunion, I was informed that Our One/Three web site that I manage, would not be hosted by the company that had always done it. I requested permission from the other 1/3 Officers to possibly look into a new web site for the Battalion, and received the go ahead. I inquired a couple of places, and received an approximate cost of \$2200.00 to design one. My neighbor, Dustin Roberts, is a computer guy, and said he would assist me in making a New Web Site for Our Chapter at that cost. I put out an e-mail request for Donations to Our Chapter Members. As I knew would happen, the GUYS did Donate, and the funds needed for the New Web Site were received. Thank You to all those Marines and Corpsmen that donated. Some were very generous - Extra Thank You to them. You

guys are Great. I think once the new web site is completed, WE ALL will enjoy it.

For all that did not make it to the reunion in Colorado Springs, you missed a very neat presentation. At the Banquet on Saturday Night, We in Charlie Company were given the opportunity to HONOR our Old Captain in Vietnam from Feb. 67 till Oct. 67 all on SLF-A. Roger Bacon, Ken Burkitt, Bill Taylor and I went forward and moved two covered items to the front. Roger, from the podium, asked Colonel Gerald F. Reczek to step forward. Ken and I removed the cover from a bronze plaque that had a picture



of "Charlie Company" taken in Okinawa in 1967 at the end of our training for SLF-A. Roger read what was written on the plaque, "1st BN 3rd MARINES-Charlie Co. Okinawa 1967- Colonel Gerald F. Reczek- "Charlie Six" You will always be one of us. We were so much more with you as our Commander and for that we are all grateful. To have served under your leadership was our privilege. You met us as boys, made us men and today we are a Band of Brothers-



Semper Fidelis. (With 3rd Marine Division Logo, Marine Corps EGA, and the 1/3 Logo also). Col. Reczek (retired) stood there humbled and speechless. Then Roger asked Lisa Reczek, the Col's wife, to step forward. At this time, we uncovered the other item. It was an oil painting illustrating

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# UPDATES

## AUCTION NEWS

Prior to the Annual Family Reunion in San Antonio, August, 2016, Gen David Bice, then President of the Association, asked me if I would put on a live Auction, and would my wife, Linda, put on a silent auction. We needed to raise funds for the Association and he knew that we had experience in both. So for the past three years we have done just that. At the live auction, my wife would take the items around the room and show them off in hopes of encouraging people to bid. After the live auction, Gen Bice would always mention that it was entertaining. Perhaps last year in Colorado Springs, he was referring to me auctioning the items while standing with a walker (thank you Jerry Huck for letting me use your walker). You see, just before we walked into the ballroom, my knee went out, and I couldn't stand up. (I have had knee replacement surgery to correct the problem.) Linda managed the silent auction in the hospitality room during the Reunions. The auctions have raised much needed funds and Gen Bice finds them entertaining, so we will continue.

We will have a new live auction person starting this year in Branson. Joseph "Joe" Bongiovanni of Arley, Alabama has accepted the challenge. His contact information is [Bongi7403@gmail.com](mailto:Bongi7403@gmail.com).

Please welcome Joe in Branson and please donate to the cause with your live and/or silent auction items. Please donate "nice" items. They do not need to be Marine Corps related. We have had some beautiful and amazing items for both the live and silent auctions. We are grateful to those of you who have donated to the cause.

## JUDGE ADVOCATE NEWS

It is with great sadness that I report the resignation of the Association's Judge Advocate, Andy Murray. Andy's words were "with a heavy heart that I submit my resignation from elected and appointed positions with the Third Marine Division Association". "Unfortunately my health issues have gotten worse since this past fall...".

I like Andy and his wife, Toni, very much and was saddened by the news of his worsening health and need to resign.

I immediately contacted former Judge Advocate, Denis Retoske, and sought his help. So this is where we are for the remainder of Andy's term until the Reunion and business meetings in Branson, MO. on Saturday, September 21, 2019, the official notice:

Andy Murray, Jr., the Judge Advocate of the Association has resigned his elected position as Judge Advocate of the Association for matters of health.

It was with a heavy heart that I accepted his resignation. Andy has been a long time, loyal member and active officer, and served in many capacities in the Association. I personally liked Andy and enjoyed working with him. I am hoping and praying for his health and well being, his most important endeavor now.

Section 5.2 of the Bylaws reads that in case of the death or resignation of any other (than the President) officer, the successor shall be appointed by the President to serve until the next Annual Meeting of Members.

Denis Retoske, the former Judge Advocate has been asked by me to step in and to support the Association over the next 6 months. Denis is willing to assist the Association in legal matters brought to his attention

by management of the Association through the election of Andy Murray's successor by the Membership at the 2019 Family Reunion.

Between now and the 2019 Family Reunion, we would like to hear from those Members who might want to seek election to the position of Judge Advocate. Please refer to the Bylaws for the requirements of the position at [www.caltrap.org](http://www.caltrap.org).

The Association has begun its search of the Membership for a successor to Andy Murray to volunteer and be ready to stand for election at the 2019 Family Reunion. I urge all Members to encourage any of their friends or associates who qualify for the position to apply to the Association, or to support a Member's application as candidate for the elected position of Judge Advocate.

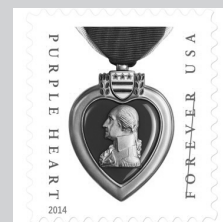
Under our new business model, the Association is always looking for Members who wish to devote their name and time to further the goals of the Association to provide services and recognition to the Membership and to the public.

Bob North, *President*

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# MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND (MSF)

**The Memorial Scholarship Fund (MSF) Trustees announce the 2019-2020 application deadline is extended to May 15, 2019 and a new sweeping eligibility for recently discharged Third Marine Division Marines.**

*By James P. Kane, MSF PAO*

As Marines we all agree, *“The price of the green uniform comes high”*. And in that spirit, the trustees of the MSF have voted and approved to extend the eligibility for college and university scholarship grants for the very first time to recently discharged Marines, who served honorably with the Third Marine Division or those military personnel attached to it e.g. Navy Corpsmen as follows: *“Any personnel who has been recently honorably discharged having been a member of or attached to a unit of the Third Marine Division (Reinf) provided the person has held Association membership for a period of at least two (2) consecutive years immediately prior to the date of the first application, be current on all annual dues payments and who continues his or her membership for the entire period of their financial assistance.”* We encourage all active duty Third Marine Division Marines

and those attached to it, to apply for membership now well in advance of their discharge date.

Applications for membership will be found on the Association website: [http://www.caltrap.org/3rd\\_mardivassoc/membership.asp](http://www.caltrap.org/3rd_mardivassoc/membership.asp) or by contacting the Association Manager at Roger Bacon Association Manager The Third Marine Division Association, Inc. PO Box 466 Lisbon, Ohio 44432-0466 215-822-9094. Email: [rogerbacon45@yahoo.com](mailto:rogerbacon45@yahoo.com)

Students and Association members interested in applying for consideration of scholarships for the 2019–2020 academic year will find the application on the Association website [http://www.caltrap.org/3rd\\_mardivassoc/msf.asp](http://www.caltrap.org/3rd_mardivassoc/msf.asp) or by contacting the MSF Secretary Patrick J. Conroy Secretary Memorial Scholarship Fund 3rd Marine Division Association PO Box 2296 Stow Ohio 44224. Email: [ConroyPJ11@aol.com](mailto:ConroyPJ11@aol.com). **The 2019-2020 application deadline is extended to May 15, 2019**

Ten very distinguished students are currently receiving MSF scholarship awards for the 2018-2019 academic year and each is an outstanding student. All are attending outstanding colleges and universities across the United

States. They are the hard working sons and daughters, grandchildren and now great grandchildren of Association members. The Trustees of the MSF charged with selecting our scholars commend them all for their excellence.

The MSF was established in 1969 to honor the loss in Vietnam on 14 Nov. 14 1967 of 3MD Commanding Officer General Bruno A. Hockmuth at age fifty-seven. The first award was presented in 1973. Since that time, hundreds of scholarship awards of more than \$500,000 have been presented to deserving students based on financial need. To keep this dazzling scholarship program going donations are requested and needed. Donations, of any amount may be sent to: Third Marine Division Association Scholarship Fund, c/o Association Manager PO Box 466 Lisbon, Ohio 44432-0466. In addition, contributions to our scholarship fund can be made on the Association website via PayPal, [http://www.caltrap.org/3rd\\_mardivassoc/donations.asp](http://www.caltrap.org/3rd_mardivassoc/donations.asp)

And let’s all remember, *“The price of the green uniform comes high”*. Please support your remarkable Association Memorial Scholarship Fund.

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different times during the Col’s 30 year career in the Marines. It depicted Jerry and Lisa; the USS Okinawa LPH-3 the ship we were on during SLF-A; a CH-34 Helicopter with the “Eyes” that we flew on some of the Operations; and Jerry receiving his “Bronze Star” on the Deck of the Okinawa. Wow, what a painting for the Reczek Family to treasure. I don’t believe there was a dry eye in the Banquet. Col. Reczek (but always Capt. To me) will always be a “Hero” to those that served under him. Thank You SIR!

The next reunion for the 3rd Marine Division Association is planned for Sept. 16th to 22nd this year, in Branson, MO. As usual 1/3 will have a Bunker, the Sky Room on the 9th floor at the Radisson Hotel. Hope you can make it to the next reunion, and come to Our Bunker. Semper Fidelis.

By Don Bumgarner, *President*

**Association Web Site:  
[www.caltrap.com](http://www.caltrap.com)**

# MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND (MSF) AWARDEE NOTE OF THANKS

The MSF Board of Trustees were thrilled to receive this note from a person who was awarded a scholarship:

*"I am writing to you to thank you for the scholarship that I received from you when I was in college twenty years ago. I often pause to consider where I would be today without the support of generous contributors like the 3rd MDA's MSF. My dad is a Marine and raised his three children as a single parent. We struggled financially growing up, but he instilled in all of us the value of hard work and perseverance.*

*I am now married with two daughters. I completed my bachelor's degree and added a master's degree and two endorsements to it. I work as a middle school librarian and love helping students chase their dreams. I enjoy the work that I do and I think that is due in large part to the financial support that I received in college. I honestly don't know where I would be today with the*

*help of generous contributors like yourself. Thank you for allowing me to pursue my education despite my lack of financial means to fund it myself. Please know that you have made a huge difference in my life as well as in the lives of countless others. Semper Fi!"* Amy Smith.

The MSF Board would like to update Assn members as follows. As of the 2018-2019 school year, 801 scholarship awards of more than \$667,000 been presented to deserving students based on financial need. To keep this impactful scholarship program going donations are requested and needed. Donations, of any amount (checks – no cash) may be sent to: Third Marine Division Association Scholarship Fund, c/o Association Manager PO Box 466 Lisbon, Ohio 44432-0466. In addition, contributions to our scholarship fund can be made on the Association website via PayPal, [http://www.caltrap.org/3rd\\_mardivassoc/donations.asp](http://www.caltrap.org/3rd_mardivassoc/donations.asp)



## NEW MEMBERS

### *Welcome Aboard*

**ACOSTA, Jorge; Corpsman;**  
2718 Keen Drive,  
San Diego, CA 92139;  
C/1/3, 2003-06; Ron Deverick

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**WRIGHT, Frank; Cpl;**  
1952 Millbrook Drive,  
Lodi, CA 95242;  
3rd Div. K co, 21st Mar; 44-45

**BECKER, Jason; CW04;**  
1301 N. School,  
Kuna, ID 83634;  
Tanks, 85-86; Ron Deverick

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**KENNEDY, Brian;**  
73 Pilgrim Rd.,  
East Longmeadow, MA 01028;  
Hdq 9th Mar; 68-69

**PUTKOWSKI, Joseph;**  
126-A Cassidy Place,  
Staten Island, NY 10301;  
C3rd Combat Eng., 75-78

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**OUERS, Jonathan D.;**  
226 Royal Glen Dr.,  
Fallbrook, CA 92028;  
CW02 Combat Asst;  
2011-14; Ron Deverick



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**Life Member,**  
**Col. Edward Grimm;**  
Woodbridge, VA; 3/9; 61-62,  
Died 5/30/2018

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**Life Member, John Jordan;**  
Bensenville, IL; Died 7/8/2003

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**Life Member, CW02**  
**Harold "Bill" Cutler;**  
San Diego, CA; WWII,  
Korea, Vietnam;  
Died 11/15/2017

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**Life Member, Sgt. Donald**  
**Benson;** Millinocket, ME;  
H&S BN9; 61/63; No Date

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**Life Member,**  
**Cpl. Charles Ralph Modrell;**  
Eagle River, AL;  
H&S 2/9; 45-46; No Date

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**Life Member, Sgt. Maj. Robert**  
**Brueeggjohann;**  
Higginsdale, MO; Div. 76-77;  
Died 12/15/2018

**Assoc. Life Member,**  
**Helen Balsa;**  
Sunnydale, CA; No Date

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**Life Member, Hubert Blanger;**  
Ferndale, WA; WWII;  
Regt WPNS3; 42-44;  
Died 1/12/2019

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**Life Member, Jack A. Walker,**  
Grand Junction, CO;  
H&S2/12/ 43-45; Died 2018

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**Life Board Member, Joe Garza;**  
Covina, CA: D/3rd TnkBn;  
42-45; Died 2016

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**Life Member,**  
**Lt. Gen. Leo Dulacki;**  
Sun City West, AZ; 3rd Mar;  
65-66; Died 1/4/2019

**Life Member, Sgt. Maj.**  
**George F. Meyer (USMC Ret);**  
Richmond, VA; G/2/3; 43-74;  
Died 6/11/18

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**Life Member,**  
**SSgt Nick W. Matye;**  
Post Falls, ID: H&S/2/4; 45;  
Died 4/18 /2015

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**Life Member,**  
**Sgt. Maj. William H. Vickers;**  
Henderson, NV; F/2/3; 55;  
Died 2/5/2019

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**Life Member, Philmore Willey;**  
East Bridgewater, MA;  
H&S/1/12; 56-57;  
Died 11/16/2018

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**Life Member, William Berg;**  
Salt Lake City, UT; 52-54;  
Died 2/21/2019

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**Life Member, Michael Morse;**  
Newport Beach, CA;  
G/2/21; 44-45; No Date

## NEED A REPLACEMENT MEMBERSHIP CARD?

If your membership card has been lost or is suffering the ravages of old age, a replacement is available from the Association Manager.

Both Life Member and Annual Member cards for regular and associate members are available.

Replacement membership

cards can be obtained by forwarding a check or money order for \$2.00 made payable to: Third Marine Division Association and send to Third Marine Division Association, P.O. Box 466, Lisbon, OH 44432-0466.

The price for the card includes postage and handling.

## CALTRAP DEADLINE

The deadline for submitting material for the **APRIL – JUNE 2019** issue of *CALTRAP* is:

**MAY 15**

# TOUR DESCRIPTIONS

## SHOWBOAT BRANSON BELLE LUNCH CRUISE

*Wednesday, September 18*

The Showboat Branson Belle presents an unforgettable experience for your entire group, especially since they are celebrating their 20th anniversary with a new show and menu! Themed after the majestic showboats of the 1800s, the Showboat Branson Belle evokes the spirit of a bygone era when river boat adventure, glamorous travel and dazzling entertainment converged into what we remember as ‘Those Grand Old Showboatin’ Days!’ Your 2-hour cruise on magnificent Table Rock Lake includes a delicious 3-course meal (with roast beef and chicken) freshly prepared in the ship’s galley and the exciting variety production Celebrate featuring singing, dancing, comedy, and more. We’ll hold the Memorial Service on board the Belle prior to the lunch cruise.

**0945 board bus, 1445 back at hotel**  
**\$79/Person includes bus, escort, and cruise.**

## #1 HITS OF THE 60’s

*Thursday, September 19*

#1 Hits of the 60’s, voted Branson’s Best Matinee Show in 2015 and 2016, is better than ever. With over 100 costume changes, fun video, and a talented cast, you’ve got the recipe for the show dubbed, “The Most Fun You’ll have in Branson.” Join in on the non-stop, high energy party as they take you back to the days of the Beach Boys, British Invasion, Motown, and the Age of Aquarius with music, dance, and a very special tribute to the Vietnam Veterans. You’ll hear a few songs from the 70s too. Oh, to be young again!

**1300 board bus, 1645 back at hotel**  
**\$59/Person includes bus, escort, and show.**

## VETERANS MEMORIAL MUSEUM / BRANSON LANDING

*Friday, September 20*

This privately-owned museum contains over 2000 artifacts in ten display rooms, covering WWI through Desert Storm. For those who lived through these times, the memories brought back are vivid and overwhelming.

The hallmark of the museum is the world’s largest war memorial bronze sculpture – over seventy feet in length weighing over fifteen tons! It depicts fifty life-sized soldiers (one from each state) storming the beach. For lunch and shopping, we’ll head to Branson Landing, Branson’s premier waterfront shopping area. Stores include Bass Pro Shop and Belk anchor stores, among many other specialty shops. You’ll have a wide variety of choices for lunch.

**0930 board bus, 1330 back at the hotel**  
**\$39/Person includes bus, escort, and admission. Lunch on your own.**

## SIX SHOW

*Friday, September 20*

See the show that everyone is talking about! The cast is six brothers, and everything is done a cappella. The variety show includes many music genres, so it appeals to everyone. Their intense high-octane energy, electrifying stage presence, and powerhouse vocals combine to create a truly amazing entertainment experience. Critically acclaimed and dubbed as “an orchestra of human voices” and “masters of showmanship,” these multi-talented brothers sound like a band using only their mouths!

**1900 board bus, 2245 back at hotel**  
**\$59/person includes bus, escort, and show.**

## BRANSON MILL CRAFT VILLAGE

*Saturday, September 21*

What better way for ladies to form bonds and friendships than to go shopping together! The Branson Mill is a 40,000 square feet working craft village devoted to craftsmen demonstrating their skills in everything from leather carving, pottery, painting, silver smith, and much more. All located under one roof, you can poke in and out of various shops featuring garden décor, jewelry, artwork, antiques, soaps, and the list goes on. If you’d like, gather with the ladies at 1100 in Tequila’s 2 Mexican restaurant on property for lunch on your own.

**0930 board bus, 1230 back at hotel**  
**\$18/Person includes shuttle bus.**  
**Lunch on your own.**

*Driver and Staff gratuities are not included in the tour prices.*  
*Please plan to be at the bus boarding area at least five minutes prior to the scheduled time.*  
*All tours require a minimum of 35 people per bus, unless otherwise noted.*



### THIRD MARINE DIVISION ASSOCIATION ACTIVITY REGISTRATION FORM — 9/17-22/2019

Listed below are registration, tour and meal costs for the reunion. Please enter how many people will be participating in each event and total the amount. Send that amount payable to ARMED FORCES REUNIONS, INC. in the form of check or money order. Your canceled check will serve as your confirmation. Returned checks will be charged a \$20 fee. You may also register online and pay by credit card at [www.afr-reg.com/3mar2019](http://www.afr-reg.com/3mar2019) (3.5% fee added to credit card transactions). All forms and payments must be received by mail on or before August 15, 2019. After 8/15, reservations will be accepted on a space available basis. We suggest you make a copy of this form before mailing. Please do not staple or tape your payment to this form.

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**322 Madison Mews**  
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**ATTN: THIRD MARINE DIVISION**

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DATE/TIME	ACTIVITY	\$ PRICE PERSON	# OF PEOPLE	TOTAL
Wednesday, 9/18 - 0945-1445	<b>SHOWBOAT BRANSON BELLE LUNCH CRUISE</b>	\$79		\$
Wednesday, 9/18 - 1700-1900	<b>WELCOME MEET &amp; GREET</b> (Pizza, Salad & Cobbler)	\$19		\$
Thursday, 9/19 - 1300-1645	<b>#1 HITS OF THE 60's</b>	\$59		\$
Friday, 9/20 - 0930-1330	<b>VETERANS MUSEUM / BRANSON LANDING</b>	\$39		\$
Friday, 9/20 - 1900-2245	<b>SIX SHOW</b>	\$59		\$
Saturday, 9/21 - 0930-1230	<b>LADIES TRIP TO BRANSON MILL CRAFT VILLAGE</b>	\$18		\$
Saturday, 9/21 1900-2200	<b>ANNUAL BANQUET (Cash Bar Reception at 1800)</b> <i>Please choose your entrée for the Saturday Banquet:</i>			
	Beef Medallion & Champagne Chicken Dual Plate	\$45		\$
	Grilled Salmon	\$45		\$
	Vegetarian Eggplant Parmesan	\$45		\$
	Child's Plate (Ages 4-12)	\$14		\$
<b>REGISTRATION FEES</b>				
<b>Price if received by 8/15</b>	<b>MANDATORY PER PERSON REGISTRATION FEE</b>	\$25		\$
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<b>Total Amount due to Armed Forces Reunions, Inc.</b>		\$		

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MARINE CORPS MUSTANG ATTENDEE? RANK (EXAMPLE: Capt., LtCol, CWO-4, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

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*Please call the number above and reference the Third Marine Division Association*

**Group Name:** Third Marine Division Association

**Reunion Dates:** September 15-21, 2019

**Rate:** \$107 plus tax (currently 11.6%). The rate includes a hot breakfast daily

At check-in guests will be required to post a valid credit card to secure their individual room accounts.

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**PARKING & AIRPORT SHUTTLE INFORMATION**

The Radisson Branson offers free parking for all guests. The hotel does not offer shuttle service to the Springfield Airport. There are several options for transportation:

- Rental Cars: While there is no specific discount for the 3MARDIV, all major car rental companies operate at the Springfield Airport
- Branson Limo Service: 417-331-1316 / [www.bransonlimoservice.com](http://www.bransonlimoservice.com)
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**Bob & Linda North**



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The *CALTRAP* is the primary internal information vehicle for the Third Marine Division Association, Inc. It is mailed nationwide and overseas to Association members, major Marine Corps commands, supporters, and advertisers. Please consider purchasing an ad. It helps support YOUR Third Marine Division Association.

**DEADLINES: 25 November, 25 February , 25 May, 25 August**

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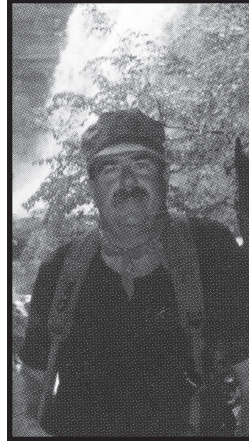
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