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MEMORANDUM FOR RETIRED MARINES

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The FY 2013 Defense Budget: Managing the Military Health System

President Barack Obama recently sent Congress a proposed defense budget of \$613.9 billion for fiscal 2013. As part of the budget plan, the Military Health System would receive \$48.7 billion, down from \$52.8 billion this year. Though there would be fee increases in TRICARE and pharmacy co-pays for retirees younger than 65, officials said, fees would not increase for active-duty service members, survivors of military members who died on active duty or medically retired service members.

The budget request matches TRICARE military health plan fee increases to retirement pay. Retirees receiving \$22,589 or less would pay \$600 in enrollment fees in 2013, rising to \$893 in 2017. Those receiving

between \$22,590 to \$45,178 would pay \$720 in 2013 and \$1,523 in 2017. Those receiving retirement pay of \$45,179 or more would pay \$820 in 2013 and \$2,048 in 2017.

The budget request does not change the military retirement system in 2013, but includes a Defense Department request that Congress establish a military retirement commission to determine whether cost-effective changes should be made to the current system.

Excerpts of Chapter 5, Managing the Military Health System, begins on page 5. This information and that on pages 5-8 was extracted from the Defense FY 2013 budget that requires Congressional approval.





The Secretary of the Navy Needs You!

Seeking Two Officers and One Enlisted Marine to Serve on the Secretary of the Navy's Retiree Council in 2013

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Have you given any thought to applying for a position on the Secretary of the Navy Retiree Council positions? It is a three-year appointment. Each year, selected Marines are recalled to active duty for one week and issued temporary active-duty orders; the government pays for travel and lodging expenses. As a member of the Council, you will review legislation and advise the SECNAV on various issues involving the retired Marine Corps community. You will advise Commands and the retired military community of issues within their geographical location. If you are interested, send a résumé and include any involvement with military/retiree associations and organizations. Mail it to MMSR-6 (turn to page 28 for the mailing address). The deadline is Oct. 5, 2012. **Note:** One of the enlisted selected must come from the Hawaii area.



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Modernizing the Military Retirement System: No Impact on Existing Retired Population

Excerpts from the Report on Modernizing the Military Retirement System

In May 2010, Secretary Gates tasked the Defense Business Board to review current Department policies and practices and identify options to materially reduce overhead and increase the efficiency of the Department's business operations; in response to this tasking, the Chairman of the Board established a Task Group to assess the military retirement system and develop potential alternatives that would enable the system to remain fiscally sustainable while recruiting and retaining the highest performing personnel required for our Nation's defense.

The Task Group's draft findings and recommendations were presented to the Board for deliberation at the July 21, 2011 quarterly Board meeting where the Board voted to approve the recommendations.

The Task Group began by assessing the origins of the military retirement system and then compared it to the present environment. The current military retirement system has not been modified or adjusted to reflect the creation of the All Volunteer Force. The system was designed in an era when life spans were shorter, draft era pay was substantially less than civilian sector pay, second careers were less common, and skills acquired during military service were not transferable to the private sector.

The Task Group also compared the current military retirement system to various public, private, and foreign military systems. The Task Group identified three features of the current military retirement system that point to the need for change. First, the current military retirement system is unfair. For example, 83% of those serving in the military will receive no retirement benefit. Second, the current military retirement system is inflexible and has disadvantages with regard

to force shaping. Third, in light of the budget challenges DoD is currently facing, the military retirement system appears increasingly unaffordable.

According to the OSD Office of the Actuary, annual military retirement payments are forecasted to increase from \$52.2 billion in 2011 to \$116.9 billion in 2035. Increases in inflation and life expectancy will further increase military retirement benefit costs. The Board recognizes that retirement benefits are an important component of overall compensation.

The Defense Business Board provides the Secretary of Defense and other senior leaders with independent advice, which reflects an outside private sector perspective on proven and effective best business practices for application to the Department.

VA News

VA Launches Personalized Health Benefits Handbook

Veterans enrolled in the health care system of the Department of Veterans Affairs have been receiving personalized booklets that explain health care benefits and other useful information. The new 72-page booklet, called a *Health Benefits Handbook*, is tailored for each veteran and provides detailed information about the VA health services veterans may be eligible to receive. The handbook also contains contact information for local VA medical facilities, appointment scheduling information, guidelines for communicating with their clinical teams, and information about copays.

Distribution of the handbooks is underway. Veterans enrolled in VA's health care system are scheduled to receive their handbooks by 2013. Veterans will receive updates to their handbook to reflect changes to their benefits or eligibility.

For more information, visit www.va.gov/health-benefits/vhbh or call 1-877-222-VETS (8387).

Camp Lejeune Water Contamination News

The Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry

ATSDR distributed the Health Survey of Marine Corps Personnel and Civilians in 2011 with results expected in 2014. Survey results will help ATSDR to answer questions that Marines and their families have about their health. ATSDR will be able to help determine if contaminated water at Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune may have affected people's health. They will also be able to better learn how environmental and chemical exposures affect human health. Not everyone who lived at Camp Lejeune or Pendleton received a survey. If you did not receive a survey, know that the feedback from fellow Marines will greatly help. To read more about it, visit www.atsdr.cdc.gov/sites/lejeune/health_survey.html.

Environmental Protection Agency

The EPA has released its final health assessment for Trichloroethylene. View it at <http://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/admpress.nsf/d0c-f6618525a9efb85257359003fb69d/b8d0e4d8489ad991852579190058d6c3!OpenDocument>.

The Department of Veterans Affairs

The VA has reference material about Camp Lejeune Water Contamination at www.index.va.gov/search/va/va_search.jsp?SQ=&TT=1&QT=camp+lejeune+water&searchbtn=Search. A two-page fact sheet is also available at www.va.gov/healthbenefits/assets/documents/publications/IB10-449.pdf about the water contamination.

Government Accountability Office

A historical report, Activities Related to Past Drinking Water Contamination at Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune (2007), is available at www.gao.gov/new.items/d07276.pdf.

Legislation

Pending bill pertaining to the Camp Lejeune Water Contamination issue:

H.R. 1742: Janey Ensminger Act

Sponsor: Rep Miller, Brad [NC-13] (introduced 5/5/2011) Cosponsors (29)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 5/25/2011 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

The Janey Ensminger Act presumes a service connection for veterans' benefits purposes for any illness associated with contaminants in the water supply at Camp Lejeune during a period in which the water there was contaminated by volatile organic compounds including known and probable human carcinogens, notwithstanding evidence of such illness during such period. Makes family members who resided at such location during such period, or were in utero during such period while the mother resided at such location, eligible for hospital care, medical services, and nursing home care through the Department of Veterans Affairs for any condition or disability associated with exposure to such contaminants.

Janey Ensminger was the nine-year old daughter of MSgt Jerry Ensminger, USMC (Ret) who died from leukemia.

Contact Information

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MANAGING THE MILITARY HEALTH SYSTEM

The FY 2013 budget includes \$48.7 billion for the DoD Unified Medical Budget to support our Military Health System (MHS). The MHS currently has 9.6 million eligible beneficiaries, which include active military members and their families, military retirees and their families, dependent survivors, and certain eligible Reserve Component members and their families.

Over the past decade, U.S. health care costs have grown substantially, and MHS costs have been no exception. The MHS costs have more than doubled from \$19 billion in FY 2001 to this FY 2013 request of \$48.7 billion, which includes \$1.8 billion in estimated savings associated with several TRICARE benefit cost sharing proposals.

To address these rapidly rising costs, the Department has taken a comprehensive look at all facets of the MHS health care model – emphasizing the need to balance the number one priority of continuing to provide the highest quality care and service, while ensuring fiscally responsible management for long-term sustainment of the MHS benefit. The Department seeks to better manage our health benefit in a way that improves quality and satisfaction, while more responsibly managing costs by building a shared commitment to health care. The centerpiece of the MHS strategy is the Quadruple Aim:

The MHS Quadruple Aim:

- **Readiness:** Ensuring that the total military force is medically ready to deploy and that the medical force is ready to deliver health care anytime, anywhere in support of the full range of military operations, including humanitarian missions.
- **Population Health:** Reducing the generators of ill health encouraging healthy behaviors and decreasing the likelihood of illness through focused prevention and the development of increased resilience.
- **Experience of Care:** Providing a care experience that is patient and family centered, compassionate, convenient, equitable, safe, and always of the highest quality.
- **Responsibly Managing the Total Cost of Health Care:** Creating value by focusing on quality, eliminating waste, and reducing un-warranted variation; considering the total cost of care over time, not just the cost of an individual health care activity.



Several initiatives support the Quadruple Aim. These include the expansion of Patient Centered Medical Home, moving from Healthcare to Health with particular focus on tobacco use and obesity, and emphasis on Patient Safety.

Figure 5-1. Military Health Care Costs^{1/}
(Dollars in Billions)

	FY 2012 Enacted	FY 2013 Request
Defense Health (DHP)	32.5	32.5
Military Personnel ^{2/}	8.5	8.5
Military Construction ^{2/}	1.1	1.0
Health Care Accrual ^{3/}	10.7	6.7
Unified Medical Budget	52.8	48.7
^{4/} Treasury Receipts for Current Medicare-Eligible Retirees	9.4	9.7

^{1/} Excludes OCO funds and other transfers. FY 2013 DHP and Health Care Accrual amounts include estimated savings from TRICARE benefit proposals of \$452 million and \$1,344 million, respectively.

^{2/} Funded in Military Personnel & Construction accounts.

^{3/} Includes health care accrual contributions into the Medicare-Eligible Retiree Health Care Fund to provide for the future health care costs of our personnel currently serving on active duty – and their family members – when they retire.

^{4/} Transfer receipts in the year of execution to support 2.2 million Medicare-eligible retirees and their family members. FY 2013 assumes \$388 million in mandatory savings for TRICARE benefit proposals.

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However, these efforts alone will not control the large increases in health care costs. In 1996, when TRICARE was fully implemented, a working age retiree's family of three who used civilian care contributed on average roughly 27 percent of the total cost of its health care. Today that percentage has dropped to only 11 percent. While health care costs have doubled or tripled over this timeframe, a family's out-of-pocket expenses, including enrollment fees, deductibles and cost shares, has only grown by 20 to 30 percent.

With this in mind, in FY 2012, the Department proposed to implement a modest increase to TRICARE Prime enrollment fees for working age retirees and make small adjustments to retail and mail order pharmacy co-pays to incentivize the use of generic drugs and the most efficient source to fill prescriptions.

In FY 2013, the Department is seeking further changes phased over several years: (details are provided in Figure 5-2):

- Increase TRICARE Prime enrollment fee, institute an enrollment fee for TRICARE Standard/Extra, and increase Standard/Extra deductibles. It also adjusts the catastrophic cap to exclude enrollment fees. These changes will affect only retirees.
- TRICARE Prime "tiered" enrollment fees based on the amount of retired pay.
- Increase co-pays for pharmaceuticals (excludes active duty service members).
- Implement tiered enrollment fee for TRICARE-for-Life (TFL) based on the amount of retired pay.
- Phase in fee changes over several years.
- Index fees/deductibles/Rx co-pays/catastrophic cap to reflect the growth in national health care costs.
- Exclude survivors of military members who died on active duty and medically retired members from any fee increases.

Despite these changes, DoD will continue to offer the most comprehensive health benefit, at lower cost to those it serves than most health plans in the nation – and deservedly so. Even after the proposed changes in TRICARE fees, the TRICARE benefit will remain one of the best medical benefits in the United States, with lower out-of-pocket costs than many other employers.

The Department will continue to invest in those programs and services critical to sustaining a strong Military Health System. These include:

- Medical readiness of the service members and military medical personnel to respond to any contingency around the globe;
- Support to wounded warriors and their families; and,
- A high quality health delivery system that offers great value, and further improves access to care and customer service for all.

Figure 5-2. TRICARE Proposals

TRICARE Prime for Working Age Retirees (under Age 65)

As part of the FY 2013 President's Budget, the Department will seek additional increases in the **TRICARE Prime** (Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) type plan) enrollment fees in order to bring the beneficiary cost share closer to the original levels mandated by Congress when the program was established. These increases will be phased-in over a 4-year period and will be tiered based on the amount of the beneficiary's military retirement pay. Table 1 displays the proposed fees by fiscal year for the three tiers of retired pay. After FY 2016, the enrollment fees will be indexed to increases in National Health Expenditures (NHE). The retired pay tiers will also be indexed to ensure beneficiaries are not pushed into a higher tier as a result of annual cost-of-living (COLA) increases. The construct and tiering are generally based on recommendations of the 2007 *Task Force on the Future of Military Health Care*.

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Table 1 – TRICARE Prime Annual Family Enrollment Fees (Individual Fees = 50%)

<u>Retired Pay</u>	<u>FY 2012</u>	<u>FY 2013</u>	<u>FY 2014</u>	<u>FY 2015</u>	<u>FY 2016*</u>	<u>FY 2017</u>
Tier 1: \$0 – \$22,589	\$460/\$520	\$600	\$680	\$760	\$850	\$893
Tier 2: \$22,590 – \$45,178	\$460/\$520	\$720	\$920	\$1,185	\$1,450	\$1,523
Tier 3: \$45,179 & above	\$460/\$520	\$820	\$1,120	\$1,535	\$1,950	\$2,048

* Indexed to medical inflation (National Health Expenditures) after FY 2016

TRICARE Standard and Extra for Working Age Retirees (under Age 65)

The **TRICARE Standard and Extra** (fee-for-service type) benefit programs currently have no enrollment fees and modest annual deductibles of \$150 per individual and \$300 per family. For FY 2013, the Department proposal will seek to implement an annual enrollment fee and increase deductibles. These increases displayed in Table 2 will be phased-in over a 5 year period and will then be indexed to increases in NHE.

Table 2 – TRICARE Standard/Extra Fees/Deductibles

<u>Annual Enrollment Fees</u>	<u>FY 2012</u>	<u>FY 2013</u>	<u>FY 2014</u>	<u>FY 2015</u>	<u>FY 2016</u>	<u>FY 2017*</u>
Individual	\$0	\$70	\$85	\$100	\$115	\$130
Family	\$0	\$140	\$170	\$200	\$230	\$250
<u>Annual Deductibles</u>						
Individual	\$150	\$160	\$200	\$230	\$260	\$290
Family	\$300	\$320	\$400	\$460	\$520	\$580

* Indexed to medical inflation (National Health Expenditures) after FY 2017

TRICARE-for-Life Benefit (TFL) Benefit Program for Retirees age 65 and Older

Like almost all Americans, upon reaching age 65, TRICARE beneficiaries must enroll in Medicare and begin paying Medicare Part B (outpatient care coverage) premiums. With Part B coverage, Medicare typically covers only 80 percent of normal health care costs and most people choose to be covered by “Medigap” or employer-sponsored retiree health insurance to cover the additional costs as well as providing some prescription drug coverage. Enacted in 2001, the TFL program acts as a second payer plan for TRICARE beneficiaries covering the costs not paid by Medicare. While the average “Medigap” plan with comparable coverage carried premiums \$2,100 per individual in 2009, there are currently no annual fees for TFL coverage. As part of the FY 2013, President’s Budget, the Department is proposing to implement modest annual fees for TFL coverage. These fees will be phased in over a 4-year period and use the same tiering based on the beneficiary’s retired pay along with the same indexing and exemptions as the proposed TRICARE Prime fees. Table 3 displays the proposed TFL fees by fiscal year for the three tiers of retired pay.

Table 3 – TRICARE-for-Life Annual Enrollment Fees – Per Individual

<u>Retired Pay</u>	<u>FY 2012</u>	<u>FY 2013</u>	<u>FY 2014</u>	<u>FY 2015</u>	<u>FY 2016*</u>	<u>FY 2017</u>
Tier 1: \$0 – \$22,589	\$0	\$35	\$75	\$115	\$150	\$158
Tier 2: \$22,590 – \$45,178	\$0	\$75	\$150	\$225	\$300	\$317
Tier 3: \$45,179 & above	\$0	\$115	\$225	\$335	\$450	\$475

* Indexed to medical inflation (National Health Expenditures) after FY 2016

Pharmacy Co-Pays

This proposal will adjust pharmacy co-pay structure for retirees and active duty family members to incentivize the use of mail order and generic drugs. Prescriptions will continue to be filled at no cost to beneficiaries at Military Treatment Facilities (MTFs). No fees would continue to apply to prescriptions for active-duty service members. Table 4 displays the proposed co-pays for prescriptions filled through the TRICARE retail and mail order pharmacy programs.

Table 4 – Pharmacy Co-Pays

<u>Retail – 1 month fill</u>	<u>FY 2012</u>	<u>FY 2013</u>	<u>FY 2014</u>	<u>FY 2015</u>	<u>FY 2016</u>	<u>FY 2017</u>
Generic	\$5	\$5	\$6	\$7	\$8	\$9
Brand	\$12	\$26	\$28	\$30	\$32	\$34
Non-Formulary*	\$25	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<u>Mail-Order – 3 month fill</u>						
Generic	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$9
Brand	\$9	\$26	\$28	\$30	\$32	\$34
Non-Formulary	\$25	\$51	\$54	\$58	\$62	\$66
Military Treatment Facilities	No Change – Still \$0 Co-Pay					

* Non-Formulary pharmaceuticals will have limited availability in retail pharmacies

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Catastrophic Cap

In order to maintain the adjusted beneficiary cost share, the annual catastrophic cap \$3,000 per family will also be indexed to NHE and exclude enrollment fees.

Finally, to protect the most vulnerable, these proposals exempt survivors of members who die on active duty and medically retired and their family members from these increases. However, it should be noted that even once the proposal is fully implemented, the TRICARE Prime program remains a very generous benefit with the average beneficiary cost share well below the original 27 percent of health care costs when the program was fully implemented in 1996.

MILITARY RETIREMENT MODERNIZATION COMMISSION

Congress established a Commission to review military retirement in the context of overall military compensation. The Commission would be charged with determining whether there are cost effective changes that should be made to the current system.

The Commission is operating under the following procedures, similar to those that govern actions by a BRAC Commission:

- The Department would make a formal recommendation to the Commission regarding changes in military retirement;
- After considering the Department's recommendation and other inputs, the Commission would make a recommendation to the President;
- The President could request that the Commission make changes in its recommendations but could not require changes;
- The President would decide whether to forward the Commission's recommendation to Congress; and
- If forwarded, Congress would have to vote up or down on the recommendation without amendment and under expedited procedures.

STRENGTHENING MILITARY FAMILIES

Support for military families is firmly established as a top priority for the Administration and has been personally endorsed repeatedly by the President, the First Lady, the Vice President, and Dr. Biden.

The Department remains fully committed to providing assistance to the All-Volunteer Force and their families particularly in light of the unprecedented demands that have been placed on them. The fact that families play a crucial role in supporting military members is not a new concept for family support policy makers or program developers. The family assistance programs serve a critical need in direct mission support for the mobilization and deployment of Active Duty military as well as the Guard and Reserve.

To that end, the Department has undertaken major initiatives to improve the quality of life of its military members and their families. Some initiatives focus primarily on the military member, while others – like childcare and school programs – focus on their children and youth. Others are devoted to spouses. All are inextricably interwoven. All affect the family in total and are designed to reduce the burdens during all phases of deployment.

Second Career

Riverside Military Academy

Riverside Military Academy is actively seeking Staff Noncommissioned and seasoned Noncommissioned Officers with Drill Instructor (8511) background. This unique opportunity allows the employee to teach and mentor young men within a military school environment. Sound leadership, communication, and accountability skills are essential. Applicants must have a desire to teach young men the fundamentals of living a military lifestyle and present a neat military appearance. What cannot be summarized in written words is the intangible satisfaction that comes from helping to shape tomorrow's leaders.

Riverside Military Academy strives to be the nation's premier all male military boarding school for grades 7-12. Situated in the foothills of the picturesque North Georgia Mountains, its newly rebuilt 95 million dollar campus houses state of the art facilities that rival our nation's military service academies. On campus housing is currently available for this position.

For more information, applicants should contact the human resources department at (770) 534-2641 or e-mail msmith@riversidemilitary.com. Applicants are required to submit three letters of reference with their application.



On My Next Move for Veterans (www.MyNext-Move.org/vets) veterans will find a simple and quick search engine where they enter their prior military experience (branch of service and military occupation code or title) and connect to the information they need to explore information on civilian careers and related training, including information they can use to write resumes that highlight related civilian skills. In addition, My Next Move for Veterans contains a link to an online assessment, the O*NET Interest Profiler, which provides results comparable to the Strong Interest Inventory being used in the new Transition Assistance Program. Veterans who have not received an interest assessment as part of TAP can access and take this interest assessment online from a link in the lower right-hand corner of My Next Move for Veterans or directly at www.mynextmove.org/explore/ip.

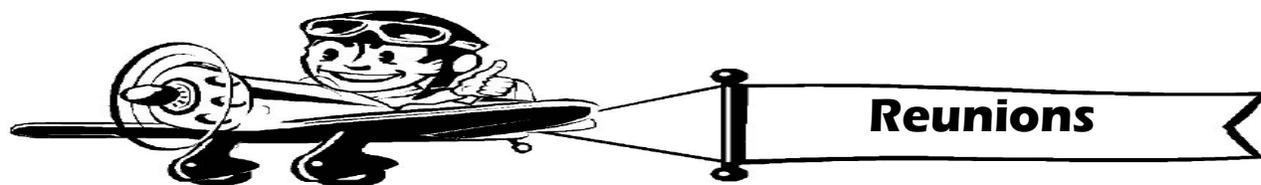
The Memorial Bench at Gulfport

Sergeant Major Paul A. Downs, USMC (Ret), served in World War II under General Lewis W. Walt, USMC (Ret). He has dedicated a memorial bench to General Walt at the U.S. Naval Home in Gulfport, Mississippi.

General Lewis W. Walt, USMC (Ret), was a resident of the Home from November 20, 1985, until his death on March 26, 1989. General Walt led Marines during three wars and earned numerous personal awards during his 34 years of military service. His awards included two Navy Crosses

and the Silver Star Medal during World War II; a Legion of Merit and Bronze Star Medal in the Korean War; the Distinguished Service Medal in Vietnam, and a Gold Star in lieu of a second Distinguished Service Medal as Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps from January 1, 1968 to February 1, 1971. General Walt is buried at Quantico National Cemetery in Triangle, Virginia.





A-1-7 Marine Corps Assn. Oct. 8-11, 2012. POC: Leonard R. “Shifty” Shifflette, 25 Emery St., Harrisonburg, VA 22801-2705, (540) 434-2066, CaptShifty@comcat.net.

American Embassy Saigon RVN (military/civilians stationed pre-4/30/1975) in Chesapeake, VA, Sept. 26-29, 2012. POC: MSgt Gus Tomuschat, USMC (Ret) saigongunny@yahoo.com, (804) 693-3007 or visit www.saigonmac.org.

B Co., 1st Bn., 5th Marines Korea Baker Bandits (1950-1953) A, B, C Co. in Reno, NV, Sept. 24-27, 2012. POC's: Bob Espinosa (530) 367-4180, bobarb09@yahoo.com or Leonard Enos, (530) 787-3270, lenos@cableview.tv.

Charlie Co., 1st Bn., 9th Marines in San Diego, CA, June 15-17, 2012. POCs: Keith Pennington, (205) 617-7284, tpennington49@yahoo.com or Rafael “Hondo” Rodriguez, (619) 851-9329, msgtusmc0369@yahoo.com.

Chosin Few (1950) Korea in San Antonio, TX, Aug. 22-25, 2012. POC: Jack Nolan, (903) 595-0556.

HMLA-169 at Camp Pendleton, CA, May 23-25, 2012. POC: GySgt Rob Catha, USMC (Ret) (214) 534 0490, msgtusmc0369@yahoo.com.

HMM-261 (1965-66) Vietnam in San Diego, CA, May 2-6, 2012. POC: Jack Crusing, (760) 432-9670; Bill Smith, (949) 582-3627 or Frank Lawson, (208) 622-5907.

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Kilo Co., TBS Class (1969) in New York City, June 22-24, 2012. POC: Phil Como, (516) 759-9539, philipcomo@yahoo.com.

Kilo Co., 4th Bn., 13th Marines in Wilmington, NC, May 2-7, 2012. POC: Tom Gafford, (434) 369-8032, tag30@me.com or visit www.kilo413.com.

Marine Air Traffic Control Assn. in Fredericksburg, VA, Sept. 19-23, 2012. POC: Roger McIntosh, 5 Quartz Circle, Fredericksburg, VA 22405, (540) 373-9691, mac13120@cox.net.

Marine Air Warning Squadron-7 (MAWS-7 Kids) in San Francisco, CA, Aug. 5-9, 2012. POC: Sandra Garland, (434) 973.8100, sandra.garland@gmail.com.

Marine A4 Skyhawk in conjunction with the 2012 MCAA annual symposium and reunion in Oxon Hill, MD, May 17-20, 2012. POC: Mark Williams, 400 Howell Way #102, Edmonds, WA 98020-4190, (425) 771-2030, roger.wilco@comcast.net.

Marine Barracks/Marine Security Force Co. Adak, AK (all years) in Deep Creek Lake, MD, July 20-22, 2012. POCs: Pete Cunliffe, (256) 379-2080, acunliffe@hotmail.com or Mike Herdering, (301) 746-7776, Herdering@earthlink.net.

Marine Barracks, Subic Bay and Sangley Point Marines in Bremerton, WA, Sept. 10-16, 2012.

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Marine Corps Aviation Recon Assn. VMJ, VMCJ, VMO, VMFP, VMAQ, VMP, VMFA(AW), VMU, or VMD squadrons in Nashville TN, May 10-14 2012. POC: Dana Nachtrieb, (719) 207-4399 or dcnachtrieb@bresnan.net or mcara2@cox.net.

Marine Corps Exchange (PX) and Clubs in Branson, MO, July 23-27, 2012. POC: hkhammer@verizon.net; reservations: stephanie.daniels@diamondresorts.com.

Marine Corps Mustang Assn. in Ft. Worth, TX, Sept. 13-15, 2012. POC: LtCol Phil Ray, USMC (Ret), (407) 252-4327, thray@md.com or visit www.marinecorpsmustang.org.

Marine Detachment, U.S.S. Juneau (CL-119) in Branson, MO, Aug. 29-Sept. 2, 2012. POC: William S. Gerichten, 141 Pinelawn Dr., Kernersville, NC 27284, (336) 993-5415.

Marine Embassy Guard Assn. in Arlington, VA, April 26-29, 2012. POC: Chuck Norris, (520) 575-6449, chuckn38@comcast. or visit www.embasymarine.org.

Marine F4 Phantom Foray in San Diego, CA, Nov. 1-4, 2012. All pilots, RIOs, officers, SNCOs and enlisted who have served in a Marine F4 squadron or group. POC: f4phantom@afri.com or AFRI (F4 Phantom), 322 Madison Mews, Norfolk, VA 23510.

MatDiv Sup. Dept., MCCDC Quantico (1970-76) in Quantico, VA, April 27-29, 2012. POC: Jesse Conwell, (740) 894-3203 or Gene Simpson, (703) 221-7423, gsimp2@verizon.net.

Montford Point Marine Assn. in Jacksonville, NC, Aug. 22-26, 2012. POC: Nat James, (910) 358-1303, mpma10@embarqmail.com or www.montfordpointmarines.com.

NOB/NAS Trinidad Reunion Assn., including Fasron 105.VPB-208, VPMS-8, VP-48, VPB-213, VP-34 and the USMC and SeaBee Dets. in Washington, DC, Aug. 29-Sept. 2012. POC: F.D. Barrett, ADCS, USN (Ret), 1448 W. Hwy. 16, Witts Springs, AR 72686, (870) 496-2285, barrett27@dishmail.net.

Platoon 296, K Co., 2nd Recruit Training Bn. MCRD PISC (training dates Nov 10,

1964 to Jan. 27, 1965) at Parris Island, SC, Nov. 10, 2014. POC: SgtMaj James Butler, USMC (Ret), (910) 340-7074, jbutler29@ec.rr.com.

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USMC Postal 0160/0161 in Branson, MO 1st week in Oct 2012, POC: Harold Wilson 835 N. Wood St, Logan, OH 43138, (740) 385 6204, handk.lucerne06@gmail.com.

VMA(AW)-451 at NAS Atsugi, Japan (1962-63) in Los Angeles, CA, tentatively scheduled for Dec. 2012. POCs: MGySgt Donald Sison, USMC (Ret), dsison@aol.com or Phil Filippi, philipfilippi@sbcglobal.net.

VMF/VMA-311 in Quantico, VA, Sept. 5-9, 2012. POC: Jim Galchick, 1290 E. 12th St. Salem, OH 44460, (330) 337-9383, jgalchick@neo.rr.com or www.vmf-vma-311reunion.org.

VMFA-212 "Lancers" (1977-1980) in Pensacola Beach, FL, April 21-22, 2012. POC: J.D. Loucks, VMFA212Reunion@aol.com.

VMO-6 and dedication of squadron memorial at the National Marine Corps Museum in Dumfries, VA, May 16-18. Details at <http://vmo6memorial.homestead.com/>.

1st Bn. 7th Marines Vietnam Assn. in Orlando, FL, May 17-20, 2012. POC: Al/Lorna LaPointe, 106 East Saddle Ln., Havelock, NC 28532, (252) 447-4854, aslapointe@ec.rr.com.

1st Bn., 27th Marines and attached units Vietnam in San Diego, CA, Sept. 20-22, 2012. POC: Felix Salmeron, (469) 583-0191, Mar463@aol.com.

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2nd Bn., 1st Mar Vietnam in San Diego, CA, Nov. 8-15, 2012. POC: Paul Mangan, (515) 360-2600, namgrunt@aol.com.

2d Reconnaissance Bn, 2d Mar Div. in Jacksonville, NC, June 21-24, 2012. POC: Bob Moody, sgrecon73@gmail.com or write 2d Recon Bn. Assn., P.O. Box 1679, Westminster, MD 21158.

3/3 reunion and auction of military memorabilia in Branson, MO, July 31-Aug. 5, 2012. POC: C.W. Hopkins, P.O. Box 744, Gentry, AR 72734, (573) 673-5441. Visit www.33USMC.com/auction.html.

3rd Bn., 7th Marines Korea (1950-53) in Las Vegas, NV. POC: Sondra and Tommie Tompkins, 1533 Broadview Dr., Bettendorf, IA 52722, (563) 355-6912, Sondra_t@hotmail.com.

3rd and 4th Def. Bn. in Branson, MO, May 2-4, 2012. POC: Daniel Heideman, (512) 738-2073, heidenman@clws.com.

7th Communications Bn., 1st MarDiv Vietnam in Las Vegas, NV, June 21-23, 2012. POC: Keith Christensen, (530) 333-1916, k9no-tails@aol.com.



MCRD San Diego

Retiree Seminar and Resource Fair

MCRD's Retired and Services Office is hosting the 2012 annual Military Retiree Seminar and Resource Fair on June 2, 2012, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Depot Theater. Learn the updates on your benefits from medical care, dental, education, and more. Spouses are highly encouraged to attend. Plan to attend this free event! All services are welcome. For more information, contact Marine Corps Recruit Depot's Retired Services Office at (619) 524-5732/5728.

Fort Bliss

Retirement Appreciation Day

Mark your calendar for the Sept. 29, 2012 Retiree Appreciation Day! For more information about the Fort Bliss event, contact 1stSgt José Luis Hernández, USMC (Ret), Retirement Services Officer at (915) 569-6233, fax: (915) 568-7573, joseluis.hernandez.civ@mail.mil.

Camp Lejeune

Retiree Appreciation Day

Camp Lejeune will host its Retiree Appreciation Day on Sept. 29, 2012, at Marston Pavilion at 9 a.m. Brigadier General Thomas A. Gorry, Commanding General, Marine Corps Installations East, will welcome attendees, followed by the Commanding Officer, Naval Hospital, who will address medical concerns. Special guest speaker, Ms. Elizabeth Goolsby, Director, Fayetteville VA Hospital, will provide VA updates. Retirees, retiree spouses and widows are encouraged to attend and enjoy the festivities. A free lunch will be provided. For more information, contact the Retired Activities Coordinator, Randy Reichler at (910) 451-0287, fax: (910) 451-0677.

WWII-Era Montford Point Marines

Sought for Recognition

The Marine Corps and the Montford Point Marine Association is looking for African Americans who trained at the segregated Marine facility Camp Montford Point from 1942 to 1949. Legislation to award the original Montford Point Marines with a Congressional Gold Medal was signed by President Obama in November 2011; an award ceremony is set for spring. To be counted among the original Montford Point Marines and receive a replica medal, documentation such as the DD214 or discharge paperwork is required. For more information, contact Joe Geeter at (610) 495-3619.

More than 20,000 African Americans trained at Camp Montford Point in Jacksonville, NC. The camp was closed as a training facility when the U.S. military was racially integrated by presidential order.

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The Marine Corps wishes to extend heartfelt sympathy to the loved ones and friends of our fallen comrades. Because of the Privacy Act, we cannot release addresses of the next of kin. The following list includes the Marine's name, last rank held that was reported to the Defense Finance and Accounting Service, month and year of retirement and month and year of death.

MAJOR GENERAL

Joslyn, William G. Jul 76/Dec 11
Poillon, Arthur J. Sep 79/Dec 11

BRIGADIER GENERAL

Lanagan, William H. Jul 75/Dec 11

COLONEL

Connolly, James P. II Jul 78/Dec 11
Creed, Jerry L. Mar 97/Sep 11
Croft, Alfred J. Jr. Aug 77/Dec 11
Culver, Ralph K. Jul 70/Jan 12
Dantin, June M. Dec 89/Jan 12
Davies, Elmer D. Jr. Sep 86/Nov 11
Deacutis, Orlando Oct 81/Nov 11
Dubose, Horace M. III Apr 88/Dec 11
Finney George W. Jul 87/Oct 11
Holtzapple, Roger A. Dec 97/Dec 11
Incontro, Sam J. Jun 89/Feb 11
McCarty, Stewart B. Aug 74/Nov 11
Mitchell, Richard W. Nov 84/Dec 11
Nahow, Theodore Nov 69/Nov 11
Nugent, Thomas F. Aug 78/Oct 11
Oliver, William P. Jr. Aug 75/Jan 12
Rich, Richard C. Sep 89/Jan 12
Rick, Robert F. Aug 72/Feb 11
Riney, Francis Jul 84/Jan 12
Rowley, Elmer C. May 73/Nov 11
Seeley, Henry W. Jr. Jul 63/Jan 12
Shauer, Walter H. Jr. Aug 74/Dec 11
Soper, James B. Jul 71/Dec 11
Sutton, Alfonse B. Mar 81/Sep 11
Truesdale, Bruce A. Jul 83/Dec 11
Yarberry, Randal A. Feb 82/Dec 11

LIEUTENANT COLONEL

Bollmann, Howard W. Nov 63/Dec 11
Botelho, Rodney W. Jul 82/Nov 11
Boutwell, Theodore R. Oct 67/Sep 11
Brooks, Edward E. Aug 68/Jan 12
Brown, Robert G. Aug 68/Feb 11

Campbell, Fredk H. Jan 68/Dec 11
Cassedy, Marshall R. Jul 88/Feb 11
Connell, Terence P. Feb 81/Jan 12
Croll Robert M. Apr 74/Jan 12
Davis, Richard K. Jul 84/Dec 11
Delora, Jack R. Dec 83/Jan 12
Dolan, Eugene T. Jun 72/Nov 11
Ertlmeier, George J. Jun 72/Jan 12
Groff, Herbert Jan 81/Jan 12
Heilman, Roland B. Jan 62/Nov 11
Helms, Jonee L. Mar 85/Dec 11
Hickle, Arthur R. Aug 77/Oct 11
Holcroft, C.D. Oct 69/Jan 12
Hoops, Dwain A. Jan 82/Nov 11
Katen, Arthur C. Sep 75/Dec 11
Klepper, Paul J. II Mar 92/Jan 12
Kurth, Gerald F. Oct 78/Dec 11
Larson, Harvey A. Jan 83/Oct 11
Lindauer, Jerry D. Sep 77/Jan 12
Manwarring, Charles L. Oct 78/Nov 11
McCreight, James K. May 68/Jan 12
McCurdy, Floyd M. Nov 84/Dec 11
Mears, Donald E. May 90/Nov 11
Miller, Harl J. Nov 77/Nov 11
Nerbun, William J. Nov 07/Dec 11
O'Neill, Patrick J. May 06/Sep 10
Richardson, Ronald G. Aug 77/Jan 12
Ulm, Richard H. Sep 80/Dec 11
Waskom, Wendell M. Aug 67/Mar 11
Young, William W. Jr. Jan 48/Jan 12

MAJOR

Benner, William D. Aug 76/Dec 11
Burnett, Robert M. Jul 97/Nov 11
Burnslee, S. Sep 88/Dec 10
Burns, Lee S. Sep 88/Feb 10
Christ, Samuel Jr. Aug 87/Aug 11
Colella, Roland L. Jul 65/May 11
Dennis, Utah G.L. Feb 67/Jan 12
Doudna, Thornton E. Jul 67/Dec 11
Frye, Robert W. Jul 64/Nov 11

Geddes, Roland T. Aug 72/Nov 11
 Geishecker, E.J. Jun 64/Jan 12
 Grebe, Arthur J. Jul 65/Dec 11
 Haggerty, George L. Jul 63/Dec 11
 Hardardt, Howard J. Jan 89/Nov 11
 Hawkins, Robert D. Dec 86/Dec 11
 Johnson, James E. Apr 80/Nov 11
 Lang, Richard H. Nov 73/Jan 12
 Leavitt, James E. Jr. May 75/Nov 11
 Lenffer, Guenther W. Oct 61/Dec 11
 Lloyd, Paul V. Nov 66/Jan 12
 Page, Joe A. Jun 82/Dec 11
 Rhodes, James L. Sep75/Dec 11
 Scott, Jerome C. Aug 77/Feb 11
 Smith, Jack P. Jul 74/Mar 11
 Standish, Cameron Sep 67/Sep 11
 Street, Charles E. Jr. Mar 63/Jan 06
 Stumpf, William W. Sep 74/Jan 12
 Terrell, Daniel E. Jr. May 68/Sep 09
 Walsh, Edmund E. Jr. Apr 79/Dec 11
 Warbington, A.L. Oct 80/Nov 11
 Wiebrecht, David A. Feb 95/Nov 11
 Winter, Gary M. May 92/Dec 11
 Wood, Richard B. Oct 81/Nov 11
 Zwiener, Robert C. Sep 76/Jan 12

CAPTAIN

Billings, Charles E. Sep 75/Dec 11
 Bokholt, William M. Jul 74/Sep 11
 Burns, Robert J. Jul 75/Nov 11
 Carney, Martin E. Feb 86/Nov 11
 Gonzales, Eugenio Jr. May 90/Jan 12
 Hagler, Jack H. Jan 60/Nov 11
 Hashagen, Donald J. Sr. May 81/Dec 11
 Meech, Robert A. May 73/Nov 11
 Mitchell, Earl W. Aug 70/Jan 12
 Pendergast, Paul Sep 78/Jan 12
 Sager, Hugh F. Sep 76/Sep 11
 Salazar, Gerard Nov 70/Dec 11
 Sangialosi, Samuel Feb 70/Jan 12
 Sloan, Clyde May 57/Sep 11
 Staigle, Charles L. Apr 76/Oct 11
 Thomas, Fred L. Mar 62/Dec 11
 White, Thomas A. Nov 71/Nov 11

FIRST LIEUTENANT

Conyngham, George C. Jan 53/May 08
 Daniels, Richard J. Jun 52/Nov 11
 Hollingsworth, Jess C.L. Lt Sep 46/Nov 11

Jordan, Donald L. II Aug 11/Jan 12
 Keetsock, Mitro Jan 47/Jan 12

CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER

Byrne, Lawrence M. WO1 Aug 58/Dec 11
 Carnahan, Delbert K. CWO2 Nov 63/Nov 11
 Bain, Jewel F. CWO2 Jun 78/Dec 11
 Faughnan, James C. CWO2 Nov 74/Dec 11
 Gallemore, James E. CWO4 Jun 95/Dec 11
 Gustafson, Orall R. CWO2 Jul 70/Oct 11
 Hett, Robert E. CWO4 Jun 94/Nov 11
 Lee, Bertram Z. CWO4 May 87/Nov 11
 McCabe, Paul A. CWO2 Dec 68/Jan 12
 McDonald, James E. CWO4 Sep 00/Sep 09
 Mobley, Winston S. CWO2 Mar 57/Jan 12
 Morris, Gerald D. CWO2 Sep 70/Dec 11

SERGEANT MAJOR

Baracao, Francis L. Aug 78/Dec 11
 Cooper, Lloyd R. May 72/Feb 11
 Garber, Bobby B. Sep 77/Jan 12
 Grubbs, John E. Nov 81/Nov 11
 Herndon, Joseph M. Mar 03/Nov 11
 Rodriguez, Jesse Jr. May 86/Jan 12
 Scott, Donald W. Jun 81/Jan 12

MASTER GUNNERY SERGEANT

Autorino, Robert G. Mar 76/Dec 11
 Blanchette, Arthur N. Jan 86/Jan 12
 Brennan, John P. Jan 68/Oct 11
 Brown, Jackie D. Oct 78/Jan 12
 Brown, Powell B. Aug 63/Jan 12
 Cherry, Dugles W. Apr 89/Jan 12
 Denson, Charles E. III Mar 10/Feb 11
 Eaglin, Leo Aug 68/Jan 12
 Fortin, Lawrence J. Jun 61/Dec 11
 Gorman, Kenneth E. Dec 77/Nov 11
 Hope, Samuel J. Dec 93/Jan 12
 Monary, Carl A. Mar 80/Oct 11
 Myers, John M. Jul 78/Nov 11
 Larsen, Konrad L. Mar 91/Feb 11
 Lauer, Charles E. Nov 76/Dec 11
 Melancon, Wayne A. Jan 77/Feb 11
 Rodriguez, Rudolph R. Jun 75/Jan 12
 Sagerian, Samuel H. Dec 74/Feb 11
 Shorkey, Bernard A. Jun 83/Nov 11
 Smith, Clifford D. Jun 71/Nov 11
 Smith, Ralph D. Oct 04/Feb 11
 Smith, Wayne M. MGySgt Aug 06/Jan 12

Stoltz Edwin, L. Jan 75/Jan 12
 Tatem, Julius R. Jr. Aug 83/Nov 11
 Wegner, Daniel A. Apr 76/Feb 11
 Yurcho, John W. Sep 89/Nov 11

FIRST SERGEANT

Anderson, Andrew J. Jul 67/Jan 09
 Barnes, William R. Oct 97/Feb 11
 Billman, Charles R. Oct 72/Jan 12
 Caballero, Miguel C. Feb 94/Nov 09
 Carota, Martin L. May 70/Sep 11
 Ethridge, Marvin M. Jan 83/Nov 11
 Finucan, James G. Oct 73/Nov 11
 Fisher, Raymond Mar 76/Jan 12
 Gerhard, Richard J. Jan 68/Nov 11
 Heckman, Gary F. May 84/Jan 12
 Johnson, Bill Dec 83/Oct 11
 Keith, James S. May 76/Nov 11
 Kirkland, Samuel B. Jun 74/Nov 11
 Larson, Fredrick W. Apr 81/Dec 11
 Latimer, Richard L. Oct 70/Sep 11
 Laws, William S. Sep 75/Jan 12
 Lenhart, Stanley O. Jun 71/Dec 11
 Marheine, Arleigh R. Dec 88/Oct 11
 McCarter, C. Apr 68/Jan 12
 McGeoghegan, Earl L. Jul 84/Dec 11
 Moore, D.H. Feb 68/Feb 11
 Roach, Cecil A. Sep 75/Jan 12
 Sansom, Denton C. May 70/Jan 11
 Smith, Ronnie B. Feb 86/Dec 11
 Starks, Joe N. Jul 72/Nov 11
 Thompson, Harry I. Sep 69/Dec 11
 Virili, Morris Apr 65/Aug 04
 Watters, Thomas J. Feb 89/Feb 11
 White, Henry N. Feb 91/Jan 12
 Wiles, George M. Jul 68/Feb 11

MASTER SERGEANT

Adams, Maynard E. Feb 78/Dec 11
 Adkins, John E. Jan 91/Nov 11
 Blankenship, Ivan B. Oct 76/Nov 11
 Bowe, Raymond A. May 72/Nov 11
 Bowman, Michael A. Jan 88/Jan 12
 Butterfield, W.E. Jun 64/Jan 12
 Casper, James A. Mar 78/Nov 11
 Castro, Lodubico Jr. Sep 86/Jan 12
 Cook, Francis E. Nov 70/Nov 11
 Cooper, Samuel E. Jul 92/Nov 11
 Culver, Ronald D. Nov 96/Nov 11

Cunningham, Carl E. Aug 71/Sep 11
 Davis, Brady W. Jr. Apr 72/Dec 11
 Depew, Cary M. May 94/Dec 11
 Edwards, Leroy B. Jun 67/Mar 10
 Farkas, Endre O. Jul 74/Dec 11
 Foster, Aniceti R. Jan 74/Mar 11
 Frey, Charles R. Aug 71/Oct 11
 Garrett, Phillip S. Oct 69/Nov 11
 Glenn, Edwin F. III Dec 73/Jan 12
 Harris, James A. Mar 96/Oct 11
 Hausken, Richard V. Oct 88/Oct 08
 Hoenig, Edward H. Jul 80/Jan 12
 Hogan, Darl D. May 91/Sep 11
 Jester, Vernon W. Jan 81/Dec 11
 Johnson, Wallace G. Aug 71/Nov 11
 Lamarr, Charles A. Jul 68/Dec 11
 Leake, James J. Sep 78/Jan 12
 Lebel, Vincent P. Feb 69/Jan 12
 Leeds, Robert K. Apr 96/Dec 11
 Mallon, Michael R. Apr 86/Jan 12
 Marks, Danny V. Dec 03/Jan 12
 Mileski, Anthony L. Jun 87/Jan 12
 Miller, Ferd E. Jr. Jun 73/Nov 11
 Moore, Richard A. Nov 92/Feb 11
 Oshea, Shawn P. Mar 10/Jan 12
 Phillips, Ronald W. Apr 76/Nov 11
 Prewitt, Ronald C. May 86/Oct 11
 Reiling, Gerald A. Aug 91/Jan 12
 Russell, Roosevelt Jr. Jan 85/Feb 11
 Santos, Richard L. Jan 74/Jan 12
 Sarner, Robert M. Jul 68/Dec 11
 Scanlon, Shawn B. Nov 95/Feb 11
 Smith, James F. Mar 86/Dec 11
 Smith, Robert D. May 79/Nov 11
 Square, Anthony R. Sep 99/Jan 12
 Stockton, Thomas C. Apr 80/Dec 11
 Sutton, Jon L. Aug 83/Jan 12
 Sweeney, Edward J. Mar 63/Feb 11
 Tharp, H.H. Jul 68/Jan 12
 Wagner, Thurman R. Jan 68/Jan 12
 Watkins, Ralph H. Oct 63/Nov 11
 Watt, James J. Jun 84/Dec 11
 West, George R. Jr. Dec 94/Dec 11
 Yates, Thomas E. Sep 74/Feb 11

GUNNERY SERGEANT

Abbott, William M. Apr 71/Sep 11
 Akker, Clifford J. Jr. Nov 98/Dec 11
 Alender, Franklin R. Oct 73/Nov 11

Barlow, Rudy Jul 77/Feb 11
 Battin, Henry B. Nov 73/Jan 12
 Bensman, James R. Jun 93/Jan 12
 Best, John W. Mar 72/Jan 12
 Betterton, John C. Jr. Sep 81/Dec 11
 Biggs, Chester M. Jr. Apr 59/Feb 11
 Bogardus, James C. Jan 87/Jan 12
 Boisclair, Gordon A. Dec 79/Dec 11
 Boswell, Ralph J. Dec 62/Apr 09
 Bowman, Mark Apr 02/Nov 11
 Brennan, John P. Jan 68/Oct 11
 Buck, Glanton E. Jr. Aug 77/Jan 12
 Calderon, Pete R. Dec 65/Nov 11
 Carico, Howard E. Sep 68/Jan 12
 Carpenter, Claude L. Jan 62/Dec 11
 Carter, Glenwood A. Jul 73/Nov 11
 Carter, Joseph F. Jan 80/Dec 11
 Chesterfield, Hilton F. Aug 75/Dec 11
 Corcoran, Frederick J. Apr 96/Dec 11
 Creque, Gerald L. Oct 71/Jan 12
 Daebelliehn, John R. May 75/Nov 11
 Darby, Dennis Jan 88/Nov 11
 Davenport, Irwin Aug 83/Nov 11
 Davidson, Alfred M. Feb 69/Oct 07
 Davis, John R. Sep 60/Nov 11
 Deck, Henry L. Aug 66/Dec 11
 Dixon, Lawrence J. Jul 85/Jan 12
 Eberhardy, Norbert P. May 63/Feb 11
 Eberly, Michael G. Mar 89/Jan 12
 Elliott, T.W. May 62/Oct 11
 Fennyach, David G. Apr 83/Nov 11
 Fitzgerald, Harold E. Jun 73/Dec 11
 Ford, Clarence L. Apr 81/Jan 12
 Freville, Leo V. Sep 69/Oct 11
 Fritts, William B. Nov 74/Dec 11
 Garver, Wayne R. Nov 72/Oct 11
 Gilbert, John H. Jan 99/Jan 11
 Grimm, Joseph Jul 68/Jan 12
 Gordon, Robert L. Sep 75/Dec 11
 Haber, Paul D. Oct 80/Dec 11
 Harris, James L. Sep 77/Dec 11
 Harris, Nicholas May 83/Dec 11
 Hatch, George M. Jr. Jul 80/Nov 11
 Harrell, Lowell C. Jun 78/Nov 11
 Heath, Wilford J. Apr 80/Oct 11
 Hill, James E. Sep 86/Dec 11
 Hogg, Roy C. Aug 69/Dec 11
 Holder, Victor G. Jan 73/Dec 11
 Imhof, Henry L. Apr 77/Dec 11
 Ingram, Samuel N. May 74/Jan 12
 James, Robert T. May 88/Jan 12
 Johnson, George W. Jr. Jan 75/Jan 12
 Johnson, Thomas L. Jun 76/Nov 11
 Kelley, Michael M. Apr 90/Dec 11
 Kirkland, Ruffen B. Jan 64/Oct 11
 Kitchen, Donald E. Apr 88/Jan 12
 Kitchen, Thomas A. Oct 87/Nov 11
 Kuchera, Carl J. Mar 59/Nov 11
 Landfair, Donald L. May 71/Oct 11
 Langston, Edgar Dec 70/Nov 11
 LaPlante, Edward P. Dec 75/Nov 11
 Lauder, Larry C. Aug 93/Dec 11
 Leach, James D. Aug 85/Oct 11
 Lee, Jimmy R. Oct 76/Jan 12
 Lingle, Fredrick F. Jun 72/Feb 11
 Loadholt, Jack R. Apr 67/Feb 11
 London, Leon R. Aug 71/Feb 11
 Lopez, Freddie C. Feb 81/Dec 05
 Malone, D.E. Oct 56/Dec 11
 Marsh, Carl V. Sep 75/Dec 12
 Martin, Calvin E. Jun 64/Dec 11
 Mayfield, James C. Jan 73/Dec 11
 McGuirk, Alexander Jul 72/Nov 11
 Mohr, Melvin A. Sep 74/Jan 12
 Monson, William H. Mar 70/Nov 11
 Mullineaux, Robert W. Jan 74/Dec 11
 Mullins, Kenneth K. Nov 73/Dec 11
 Nelson, William P. Dec 70/Nov 11
 Neyland, Raymond E. Aug 66/Jan 12
 Oliver, G. Dec 68/Nov 11
 Owenby, Darrin G. May 95/Aug 10
 Pace, Paul D. Sep 73/Dec 11
 Palko, Joseph A. Jun 90/Dec 08
 Patterson, Patrick M. Oct 93/Jan 12
 Penn, George R. May 73/Dec 11
 Petrie, Joseph E. Jan 97/Nov 11
 Phillips, C.E. Mar 62/Dec 11
 Razor, Comer V. Sep 92/May 09
 Rhodes, Glenard G. Oct 80/Jan 12
 Roberts, Larry G. Dec 83/Dec 11
 Rodgers, Johnnie Mar 87/Jan 12
 Rosario, Luis M. Nov 97/Nov 11
 Saenz, Pedro Mar 71/Nov 11
 Sanchez, Diogenes Jr. Apr 92/Dec 11
 Shepherd, Donald J. Feb 71/Dec 11
 Sherwood, Leslie D. Oct 66/Nov 11
 Smith, Ernest G. Jr. Aug 64/Dec 11
 Smith, Francis J. May 75/Mar 11

Spears, William R. Aug 86/Oct 11
 Sponsler, R.L.O. Nov 60/Oct 06
 Staats, Floyd B. Sep 72/Dec 11
 Strand, Sylvester E. Apr 62/Nov 11
 Tenney, Roy M. Jun 82/Jan 12
 Timon, Gerald F. Jun 72/Jan 12
 Tonkel, Robert L. Jul 74/Jan 12
 Tovar, Alvin V. Feb 05/Feb 11
 Towns, Henry M. Feb 64/Nov 11
 Triplett, Norman O. Jul 68/May 09
 Tyler, Harold E. Dec 77/Dec 11
 Walker, B.F. Aug 66/Jan 09
 Walker, Howard A. Sep 94/Dec 11
 Wiley, Floyd V. Jun 71/Jan 12
 Williams, Leon B. Feb 57/Aug 09
 Willis, Jeter J. Mar 73/Jan 12
 Wilson, Robert E. Jan 76/Jan 12
 Workman, R.J. Mar 67/Nov 11

STAFF SERGEANT

Arcia, Alfredo Jun 04/Jan 12
 Baden, Louis R. Dec 95/Dec 11
 Bagan, Harry Jun 64/Feb 11
 Barhight, Charles L. Jr. Jun 81/Jul 07
 Bergeron, George E. Oct 01/Dec 11
 Breeze, Ernest C. Jun 72/Oct 11
 Caiazzo, John R. Aug 99/Dec 11
 Carroll, John E. Jul 73/Dec 11
 Chapman, Chester J. Feb 71/Dec 04
 Chapman, James M. Sep 66/Jan 12
 Cook, Donald R. Jan 74/Jan 12
 Cooke, David L. Jul 85/Sep 11
 Craig, James R. May 71/Sep 11
 Doyle, Charles M. Jul 66/Jan 12
 Falcone, Leonard Mar 73/Dec 11
 Finch, Charles R. Jr. May 68/May 08
 Flint, Robert E. Jul 71/Sep 08
 Hagadorn, Chester L. Jul 59/Feb 11
 Hatcher, Robert S. Jul 72/Jul 067
 Heard, David L. Nov 67/Nov 11
 Hierro, Gerard F. Sep 68/Nov 11
 Jones, Clarence E. Apr 62/Nov 11
 Kent, B.M. Mar 64/Jan 12
 Lebeau, Andre A. Jan 74/Dec 11
 Ledesma, J.L. Jan 68/Jan 12
 Lee, Billy May 72/Nov 11
 Lewis, Walter B. Jun 66/Nov 11
 Lyons, William L. Nov 66/Jan 12
 Luck, Billy J. Sep 75/Dec 11

Maastricht, Alan W. Jul 92/Dec 11
 Marcotte, Maurice A. Jun 87/Dec 11
 Markle, Vernon R. Sep 76/Dec 09
 Marshall, Billy G. Mar 67/Dec 11
 Mitchell, Robert D. Jul 68/Nov 11
 Moss, William L. Dec 66/Jan 12
 Oberlin, Gerald E. Jun 76/Nov 11
 Reed, Robert M. Nov 77/Aug 07
 Reid, Willie Jr. Jr. Nov 97/Oct 11
 Ruggiero, John Sep 76/Jun 09
 Sanchez, Raul H. Jan 72/Oct 11
 Sherman, Michael P. Oct 11/Sep 11
 Steinhiser, Karl K. Feb 07/Dec 11
 Sullivan, William F. Oct 69/Dec 11
 Surpitski, E.K. Jul 63/Sep 11
 Turmenne, Albert M. Oct 66/Dec 11
 Warden, Harry L. Jul 65/Jan 12
 Workman, Roger L. Oct 66/Nov 11

SERGEANT

Adams, Bradley S. May 09/Dec 11
 Baldassari, G.J. May 67/Aug 09
 Byrd, Charles E. III Dec 80/Dec 11
 Clarke, Henry G. Jr. Oct 73/Oct 09
 Davis, Roger A. Aug 67/Nov 11
 Elder, Billy Dec 64/Oct 11
 Flores, Jose J. May 66/Nov 11
 Goodwin, Waymon May 65/Nov 11
 James, Ian R. Oct 93/Oct 11
 Junious, R. Jr. Feb 65/Jan 12
 Licano, Francisco Jr. Aug 70/Aug 11
 Luhrs, Michael K. Dec 88/Aug 11
 Lynch, J.R. Dec 62/Nov 11
 Murray, William J. Mar 68/Feb 11
 Sarka, Arthur May 59/Jun 04
 Thompson, William J. May 61/Mar 08

CORPORAL

Abney, Eugene A. Apr 76/Jul 11
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 Booker, Walter G. Mar 73/Apr 09
 Boonstra, Jonathan P. Jul 66/Nov 11
 Busby, Roger I. Dec 65/Dec 11
 Carter, Earl W. Jr. Aug 70/Oct 11
 Cavalcante, Bernard F. Jul 59/Dec 11
 Dytkiewicz, Alvin T. Nov 51/Nov 11
 Freeman, Herschel J. Apr 53/Dec 11
 Friend, Kenneth W. Oct 80/Feb 11
 Graham, Ronald L. Aug 71/Nov 11

Green, Clifford B. Jr. Jan 71/Nov 11
 Hancock, Paul E. Jun 68/Feb 11
 Hodges, Farris Jr. May 71/Mar 07
 Hunt, Ermal Jan 70/Oct 11
 Hodges, Farris Jr. May 71/Mar 07
 Juthnas, Carl G. Nov 70/Oct 11
 Kilberg, Theodore R. Mar 53/Dec 11
 Lacroix, Lester A. Jan 68/Dec 11
 Laffrey, Richard J. Jun 70/Oct 11
 Mara, Kevin M. Jul 67/Dec 11
 McIntyre, G. Aug 69/Sep 06
 Neal, Johnny Jr. Mar 68/Mar 08
 Onesi, Gregory R. May 68/Nov 11
 Parker, Eddie L. Jr. Jul 68/Nov 11
 Raymond, William F. Apr 74/Dec 11
 Smith, Kevin F. Feb 76/Sep 11
 Taylor, Timothy J. Apr 71/Feb 11
 Teed, Harry A. Mar 54/Nov 11
 Thomas, Richard N. Feb 70/Oct 11
 Thornton, Sheldon R. Mar 69/Dec 11
 Wells, Russell J. Jul 71/Nov 11
 Winslow, Robert E. Nov 68/Aug 11

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 Beyers, John W. May 71/Oct 11
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 Cook, Danny E. Jul 73/Feb 04
 Davis, Herbert L. Dec 67/Nov 11
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 Dugger, Robert L. Jul 53/Apr 09
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 Holt, L.A. Apr 52/Nov 11
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 Johnson, Christophe D. Sep 05/May 08
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 McNeil, Donald L. Jan 70/Nov 11
 McNew, Ronald P. Mar 69/Nov 11
 Meegan, Thomas H. Mar 53/Sep 09
 Munsey, Johnnie A. Apr 67/Apr 07
 Nelson, Edwin L. Nov 75/Oct 11
 Nichols, Harry H. May 69/Jan 11
 Northington, Neil M. Mar 52/Feb 07
 Pope, Harlan B. May 52/Dec 11
 Prunier, Richard D. Sep 67/Jan 12
 Ramos, Augusto Jan 58/Jul 09

Ross, Quinton Sep 69/Nov 11
 Smith, Sherman C. Mar 70/Jan 12
 Waring, Robert J. Jr. Sep 11/Nov 11
 Washington, Hubert Dec 68/Nov 11
 Webb, James D. Jun 74/Oct 11
 Wyche, Benjamin F. Jun 71/Jan 12

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS

Butler, Harold O. Feb 70/Dec 11
 Connor, Richard K. Jul 55/Dec 07
 Cox, Jackie D. Jun 69/Dec 11
 Davis, Henry J. Jul 67/Nov 11
 Ebert, John W. Feb 56/Nov 11
 Evans, Charles B. Jan 54/Dec 09
 Flores, Melchor S. Jan 53/Nov 11
 Hoyle, Leon E. Jun 57/Dec 11
 Jackson, Bruce P. Dec 68/Nov 11
 Johnson, Phillip E. Nov 75/Oct 11
 Kauffman, Charles E. Mar 54/Nov 11
 Luster, Herbert R. May 51/Jan 12
 Mills, Edward P.L Mar 58/Nov 11
 Moonly, James L. Mar 69/Dec 11
 Moore, Thomas C. Nov 67/Jan 07
 Moya, Edward A. Jul 52/Jan 12
 Packer, Ralph D. Mar 65/Nov 11
 Ponthieux, R.J. Apr 69/Nov 11
 Raney, Raymond L. Jun 68/Nov 11
 Seacole, Martin A. Jan 68/Dec 11
 Shadden, Bobbie L. Jan 60/Nov 11
 Steele, Gerold R. Aug 64/Oct 11
 Stewart, Fred L. Jr. Jul 68/Oct 11
 Williams, Michael L. Apr 60/Aug 07
 Wills, Clyde M. Jr. Jun 62/Nov 11

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Barker, William E. May 54/Dec 11
 Catchings, Roosevelt B. May 76/Feb 11
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 Hinton, Grady C. Sep 68/Oct 11
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Steps to Take When an Annuitant Dies

Eligibility for Survivor Benefit Plan annuity pay ends with the death of the annuitant (beneficiary). Prompt reporting of a deceased military annuitant's death can help avoid delay and possible financial hardship to surviving family members or executors, who will be required to return any unearned payments of the decedent's annuity pay.

Please follow the steps below to report the death of an annuitant.

STEP 1 Please call 1-800-321-1080 to report the death of the annuitant.

STEP 2 Please send a copy of the annuitant's death certificate showing cause of death to:

DFAS U.S. Military Annuitant Pay
P.O. Box 7131
London, KY 40742-7131
Fax: 1-800 982-8459

STEP 3 Please inform the financial institution receiving payments about the death of the annuitant.

In addition to notifying DFAS, you should also notify the following agencies/departments as soon as possible:

- **Social Security Administration:** 1-800-772-1213 (www.ssa.gov)
- **Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System:** 1-800-538-9552
- **Department of Veterans Affairs:** 1-800-827-1000 for annuitants receiving Dependency Indemnity Compensation (www.va.gov)



Steps to Take When a Retired Marine Dies

- Contact funeral home and make burial and funeral arrangements
 - Start claim process for applicable benefits (e.g., SBP, VA life insurance, Social Security, etc.)
 - Obtain multiple certified death certificates (6-12 copies)
 - Gather important documents for claims processing (e.g., birth certificate, will, etc.)
 - Determine immediate and short-term financial needs and income sources
 - Arrange for help with legal affairs of the deceased
 - Notify joint account agencies (credit cards, banks, auto registration home/auto insurance, brokers, etc.)
 - Review survivor's own legal documents for possible revision
- REPORT the death to DFAS at 1-800-321-1080 or (216) 522-5955 (press 3)** to stop retirement pay to avoid indebtedness. If the retired Marine was receiving pay from another source due to a disability from the Veterans Administration or civil service retirement from the Office of Personnel Management, contact that agency to return the payment. If you fail to do this, you will have to repay it later. You may also report the death online at www.dfas.mil/retiredmilitary/forms.html.
- S**
Note: When you notify DFAS of the Marine's death, DFAS will forward the death listing to Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps (MMSR-6) for inclusion in an upcoming issue of the *Semper Fidelis*.
- REPORT Survivor Benefit Plan election.** Designated annuitants will receive notification from DFAS if the deceased retired Marine elected SBP. If you are uncertain of whether an election was made, call DFAS at 1-800-321-1080.
- UPDATE your military identification card.** As the survivor of a deceased Marine, your ID card must be updated to reflect the change in your status due to the Marine's death. You may access your nearest ID site at www.dmdc.osd.mil/rsl or call HQMC (MMSR-6) at 1-800-336-4649 or (703) 784-9310 to obtain the three sites closest to you.
- NOTIFY the Social Security Administration.** Call 1-800-SSA-1213 (www.ssa.gov) to apply for the \$255 death benefit, *if applicable*.
- CONTACT the VA for burial and other benefits.** The VA does not provide burial benefits for annuitants; however, the annuitant may be eligible for burial in a military cemetery. You will need to provide a copy of the DD 214. Call the VA at 1-800-827-1000 or visit www.va.gov.

RECEIVING CIVIL SERVICE PAY? U.S. OFFICE OF PERSONNEL: 1-888-767-6738, (202) 606-0500
RECEIVING VA PAY? DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS: 1-800-827-1000

ADDITIONAL AGENCIES PROVIDING AID & ASSISTANCE TO SURVIVING SPOUSES:

- Arlington National Cemetery: (703) 607-8000
- Gold Star Wives of America: 1-888-751-6350, www.goldstarwives.org
- Military Funeral Honors: 1-866-826-3628 or (703) 432-9524
- Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society: (703) 696-4904, www.nmcrcs.org
- National Military Families Association: 1-800-260-0218, www.nmfa.org
- Society of Military Widows: 1-800-842-3451, www.militarywidows.org
- Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors: 1-800-959-8277, www.taps.org

2012 DFAS Retired Pay Dates

Entitlement Month	Payment Date
January 2012	February 1, 2012
February 2012	March 1, 2012
March 2012	March 30, 2012
April 2012	May 1, 2012
May 2012	June 1, 2012
June 2012	June 29, 2012
July 2012	August 1, 2012
August 2012	August 31, 2012
September 2012	October 1, 2012
October 2012	November 1, 2012
November 2012	November 30, 2012
December 2012	December 31, 2012

DFAS retired pay dates are scheduled for the first non-holiday weekday of each month.

Cost of Living Increase for Military Retirees Announced

If you retired before 2011, you can expect a 3.6% Cost-of-Living Adjustment in 2012, unless you received a Career Status Bonus (CSB). The adjustment for CSB recipients is 2.6%.

Those who retired from the military in 2011 might receive a partial COLA. DFAS will provide more news when it becomes available.

Look for the increase in your Dec. 30 payment!

Important Information DD 214s, Medical Records, Awards

DD 214s. Marines who have been discharged, separated, or retired before **Dec. 31, 1998:**

National Personnel Records Center
1 Archives Dr., St. Louis, MO 63138
1-866-272-6272, fax: (314) 801-9195; e-mail: MPRstatus@nara.gov
Note: All requests must be in writing!

Marines discharged, retired, or separated after **Jan. 1, 1999:**
Commandant of the Marine Corps (MMSB-10)
2008 Elliot Rd., Quantico, VA 22134-5030

Medical Records. Marines who have been discharged, separated or retired **May 1, 1994** or later:

Department of Veterans Affairs, Records Management Center
P.O. Box 5020; St. Louis, MO 63115-8950
1-888-533-4558; fax: (314) 538-4571

Note: Discharged, separated or retired Marines before **May 1, 1994** must contact NPRC.

Awards. Marines who have been discharged, separated or retired before **Dec. 31, 1998:**

Navy Personnel Command (PERS-312B); 11 Archive Dr., St. Louis, MO 63138
(314) 538-2312; fax: (314) 538-2316

Marines who have been discharged, separated or retired after **Jan. 1, 1999:**

Commandant of the Marine Corps (MMA) 2008 Elliot Rd., Quantico, VA 22134
(703) 784-9206



Inns of the Corps

MCAS Yuma: Dos Rios Inn
(928) 269-2262, fax: (928) 269-6639

MCLB Barstow: Oasis Lodge
(760) 577-6418, fax: (760) 577-6542

MCB Camp Pendleton: Ward Lodging
(760) 725-2134/2313, fax: (760) 725-5609

MCB Camp Pendleton: South Mesa Lodge
Reservations: (760) 763-7805/7806/7807
fax: (760) 237-3559

MCAS Miramar: Miramar Inn
(858) 271-7111, fax: (858) 628-9466
Reservations: 1-800-628-9466

MCAGCC Twentynine Palms:
Sleepy Tortoise Inn
(760) 830-6583, fax: (760) 830-1647

MCB Hawaii: Lodge at Kaneohe Bay
(808) 254-2806, fax: (808) 356-4506

MCAS Iwakuni: Monzen and Nishiki Lodges
011-81-611-753-3221

MCB Camp S.D. Butler: WestPac Lodge
011-81-611-745-2455

MCB Camp Lejeune: Hospitality Inn
(910) 451-3041, fax: (910) 451-0360

MCRD Parris Island: The Osprey Inn
(843) 522-1663 (primarily for personnel on TAD)

MCRD San Diego: Devil Dog Inn
(619) 524-4401, www.mcrdsd-billeting.org

MCAS Beaufort: De Treville House
(843) 522-1663, fax: (843) 522-1663

MCB Quantico: Crossroads Inn
(703) 630-4444, fax: (703) 630-4499
Reservations: 1-800-965-9511

UNITED STATES Marine Corps Junior ROTC Program



The Marine Corps Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps is looking for a few good men and women to serve as instructors at various high schools throughout the United States. Marines selected to serve in these billets teach MCJROTC cadets discipline, self-confidence and the leadership skills required to successfully prepare them to meet future challenges. Instructors receive a stipend from the Marine Corps and the respective school system that as a minimum, when added to retirement pay, can equal full military pay and allowances. MCJROTC instructors must be certified by the Commanding General, Training and Education Command, Quantico, Va. Applications are accepted not earlier than one year nor later than three years after the effective date of retirement. Marines interested in serving as MCJROTC instructors can view current vacancies and download an instructor application at www.mcjrotc.org.

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News About: Your Identification Card

Two Forms of Identification Are Now Required:

If you need to replace or renew your military ID card, you will be required to provide two forms of identification: a valid photo ID and a secondary form of ID. Acceptable photo identification includes a driver's license, military ID card, passport or permanent resident alien card. All photo IDs must be current; expired photo IDs are not accepted. A secondary form of ID may include one of the photo IDs listed above or a Social Security card (not a Medicare card), a voter registration card, birth certificate, or student ID if you are a college student. To avoid delays, call your nearest ID card center for hours of operation and availability.

Military ID Cards for Family Members:

Indefinite military ID cards are now issued to eligible family members who are 75 or older. The 2007 National Defense Authorization Act authorized the issuance of indefinite military ID cards for incapacitated dependent children over 21. To qualify for an indefinite ID card, a determination of permanent incapacitation must be made by the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery and a current financial dependency determination (over 50%) is required. A financial redetermination will also be required every four years. Dependent parents and/or parents-in-law, over 75, with permanent military ID cards will also require a financial redetermination every four years. Full-time students, over 21, may be eligible for military ID card benefits until age 23 provided they are enrolled full-time in a college or university and are dependent on the member for over 50% of their financial support. It is the service member's responsibility to ensure eligible family members are updated in DEERS and to notify DEERS of any changes in eligibility. For more information, call MMSR-6 at 1-800-336-4649 or (703) 784-9310 (option 6).

The Retired Marine's Military ID Card:

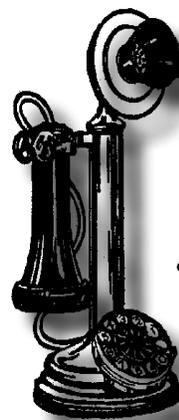
When a military service member retires, the ID card issued will have an indefinite expiration date. ID cards will be replaced if they are lost, stolen, or damaged. They will also be replaced for a name change due to marriage, divorce, or to replace an older version of the ID card. A retired member's ID card may also be replaced when turning 65 and enrolling in Medicare Part B. With a Medicare Part B enrollment, you are automatically enrolled in TRICARE for Life, which requires updating the medical eligibility dates on the back of your ID card. If the dates on the back of your ID card have expired, you will need to replace your ID card. Ensure you take your Medicare Part B card with you when updating your ID card.

Eligibility for a Military ID Card By Mail:

If you live more than 300 miles from a military ID card center, you may renew your military ID card by mail. Applicants who are unable to travel due to a disability may also apply to renew ID cards by mail. Please submit a current 5x7 or 8x10 color photograph, a photocopy of your current military ID card (front and back), a photocopy of a second form of ID (i.e., driver's license, birth certificate, or Social Security card) and a statement addressing why you are unable to travel to an ID card center to Headquarters Marine Corps, Separation and Retirement Branch, Retired Services (MMSR-6), 3280 Russell Road, Quantico, VA 22134-5103.

You can schedule your ID card appointment online! <http://appointments.cac.navy.mil>

Other DFAS Customer Service Centers	
Service/Component	Customer Service
Army (active duty)	1-888-332-7411
Army (reserve)	1-877-462-7782
Army (National Guard)	1-877-276-4729
Navy (active duty/reserve)	1-888-332-7411
Air Force (active duty/reserve/ National Guard)	1-888-332-7411
Marine Corps (active duty & reserve)	1-888-332-7411
Out-of-service debts (all services)	1-800-962-0648



Annuitants!

**Please call DFAS
(not MMSR)
to report an
address change!**

**The number is:
1-800-321-1080.**

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Directory Assistance Pages

A:

American Red Cross: www.redcross.org

Arlington National Cemetery: (703) 607-8000
www.arlingtonnationalcemetery.org

Armed Forces Retirement Homes (Gulfport):
www.afrh.gov

Armed Forces Retirement Homes (Washington):
Attn: PAO/Marketing #1305
3700 North Capitol St. NW
Washington, DC 20011-8400
1-800-422-9988, www.afrh.gov

Armed Forces Recreation Centers:
www.armymwr.com/portal/travel/recreationcenters/

Cape Henry Inn (Virginia): (757) 422-8818

Dragon Hill Lodge (Korea): (011-82) 2-790-0016

Edelweiss Lodge and Resort (Germany):
(011-49) 8821-9440

Hale Koa Hotel (Hawaii): 1-800-367-6027

Shades of Green on Walt Disney World Resort
(Florida): 1-888-593-2242

Armed Forces Vacation Club: 1-800-724-9988 (to
book a space-available unit use account #7033-0000
and installation #227), www.afvclub.com

B:

Board for Correction of Naval Records
CMC, 2 Navy Annex, Rm. 2432
Washington, DC 20370-51000
(703) 614-1402 or 614-1316
www.donhq.navy.mil/bcnr/bcnr.htm

C:

Camp Lejeune Notification Registry:
www.usmc.mil/camplejeune/clbwatersurveyinfo.nsf

Cold War Certificate:

Cold War Recognition, Hoffman II
Attn: AHRC-CWRS, 3N45, 200 Stovall St.
Alexandria, VA 22332-0473
(703) 325-5864, fax: 1-800-723-9262
<https://www.hrc.army.mil/site/active/tagd/coldwar/default.htm>

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SECNAV Council of Review Boards
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Washington, DC 20374-5023
1-877-366-2772, fax: (202) 685-6882
<http://donhq.navy.mil/corb/crscb/crscmainpage.htm>
E-Mail: DON_CRSC@navy.mil

D:

Defense Finance and Accounting Service:
1-800-321-1080, www.dfas.mil

U.S. and OCONUS: (216) 522-5955
Fax: 1-800-469-6559
DFAS Special Compensation for the Severely
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E:

e-Benefits:
<https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits-portal/appmanager/eb/veterans>

F:

Federal Long-Term Care Insurance Program:
1-800-582-3337, www.ltc.feds.com

U.S. Department of Education
Federal Student Aid Resource Center
400 Maryland Ave., SW; Wash., DC 20202
1-800-USA-LEARN,
www.ed.gov

J:

Job Corps (Dept. of Labor): www.dol.gov/vets

L:

Leatherneck Magazine of the Marines:
715 Broadway St., Quantico, VA 22134
1-800-336-0291, ext. 115, fax: (703) 640-0823
E-Mail: leatherneck@mca-marines.org

M:

Marine Corps Association:
715 Broadway St., Quantico, VA 22134
1-866-622-6161, ext. 100, fax: (703) 630-1446
E-Mail: mca@mca-marines.org

Marine Corps Gazette:

715 Broadway St., Quantico, VA 22134
1-800-336-0291, ext. 144, fax: (703) 630-9147
E-Mail: gazette@mca-marines.org

Marine Corps Education Command
Marine Corps University, History Division:
3078 Upshur Ave., Quantico, VA 22134
(703) 432-4874, www.history.usmc.mil

Marine Corps Junior ROTC, TECOM (C 46JR)
1019 Elliot Rd., Quantico, VA 22134-5001
(703) 784-3706, www.mcjrotc.org

Marine Corps Records Correspondence (MMSB-12)
2008 Elliot Rd., Quantico, VA 22134-5030
1-800-268-3710, (703) 784-3930/4646/5616

Marine Military Expositions: (703) 812-2741
1525 Wilson Blvd., Suite 1200
Arlington, VA 22209
www.marinemilitaryexpos.com

Medicare: 1-800-633-4227, www.medicare.gov

My Compass: www.mccompass.net

My Tutor: www.tutor.com

N:

National Museum of the Marine Corps
18900 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Triangle, VA 22172
1-877-653-1775, www.usmcmuseum.org

Navy Lodge Worldwide Reservations Center:
1-800-NAVY-INN, www.navy-lodge.com

S:

Social Security Administration: 1-800-772-1213
www.ssa.gov

*Space-A Travel Air Mobility Command:
www.amc.af.mil/amctravel/index.asp

State Department Travel Warnings:
<http://travel.state.gov>

T:

TRICARE Pharmacy Program: 1-877-363-6337

TRICARE Mail Order Pharmacy, Express Scripts:
1-866-363-8667

TRICARE Retail Pharmacy: 1-866-363-8779

TRICARE for Life/ Dual Eligibles: 1-866-773-0404

TRICARE Retiree Dental Plan Delta Dental:
1-888-838-8737, www.trdp.org

TRICARE Dental Program United Concordia
CONUS: 1-800-866-8499, OCONUS, 1-888-475-0486

TRICARE Online: 1-800-538-9552

TRICARE Regional:

*North, 1-877-874-2273

*South, 1-800-444-5445

*West, 1-888-874-9378

*Overseas (to include Pacific, Latin America,
Canada, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, Europe)
1-888-777-8343

U:

USMC Community Services: www.usmc-mccs.org

V:

VA Education Customer Service Office:
1-888-442-4551, www.gibill.va.gov

VA Life Insurance: 1-800-669-8477
www.insurance.va.gov

Virginia Defense Force: (804) 228-7018
POC: LT Henry Howells, henry.c.howells@us.army.mil
www.vdf.virginia.gov/recruiting.shtml

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