



# The Breed

**Southern California Chapter,  
1st Marine Division Association, Inc.**

**“WE FEW, WE HAPPY FEW, WE BAND OF BROTHERS:  
FOR HE TODAY THAT SHEDS HIS BLOOD WITH ME  
SHALL BE MY BROTHER...” Henry V**

**WWII\*NORTH CHINA\*KOREA\*VIETNAM\*KUWAIT\*IRAQ\*COLD WAR\*AFGHANISTAN\*PEACE TIME**

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**BOARD MEETINGS:**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Day</u></b>	<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b><u>Location</u></b>
11 February	Tuesday	1130	Assn Office, Camp Pendleton, CA

(Board members not able to attend a Board Meeting, please advise Chapter President)

**Upcoming Event: Cookout**  
**TO BE ANNOUNCED**

**ADDITIONAL CHAPTER'S SCHEDULED EVENTS**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Day</u></b>	<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b><u>Event</u></b>	<b><u>Location</u></b>
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**Newly Elected President's Message:**

Happy New Year and I wish all of you a prosperous year and great health and happiness. As your new President of the Southern California Chapter, First Marine Division Association (FMDA) I am here to serve you. I look forward to meeting all of you. I am humbled and appreciate the confidence of the membership. I will be focusing on the most important thing to benefit the chapter at this time which I think is membership. Joining new members and retaining our faithful. Membership is the key to any organization like ours. This year is our 79<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and we have a lot to be thankful for as you, the men and women on active duty continue to do great things. We will support your efforts with the spirit of the FMDA and make your days better in the ways that is made available to us. I will be working on some other projects for the membership pride, such as a quartermaster for Blue Diamond paraphernalia to promote the pride of our organization. We will establish an assistance program for Marines and Sailors of the Division. Look for more to follow on this subject. All these things can be accomplished with your support. Look for opportunities to volunteer to assist your fellow Warriors. I am here for one reason and that is to support you. Bring your ideas and recommendations to our attention and let's move forward with pride, excellence and efficiency of Members of the Blue Diamond. Semper Fidelis Marines!

**Past President Message:**

Our Southern California Chapter conducted a Chapter meeting on January 17th. Many items were discussed during that meeting. One of the items discussed was the elections regarding the Board of Directors for our Chapter. Retired Sergeant Major Lonnie Long was elected to be the new Chapter President. Hence, these will be my last and final comments for our Chapter newsletter. The Chapter has a number of important events coming up. The first of which will be the 1st Marine Division Anniversary celebration. This event will

take place beginning on 29 January and run thru the 31st of January 2020. During the upcoming Anniversary celebration, our Chapter will be involved in the morning Colors celebration ceremony, on the morning of the 31st, after which there will be a Streamer Dedication ceremony. This will be followed later in the afternoon when our Chapter will host an afternoon cookout. The Anniversary celebration will end later in the evening with a sit down dinner at the Pacific Views Event Center. Finally, it has been my honor and a pleasure to have been your Chapter President the past two years. I look forward to remaining very active with our Chapter and I wish President Long nothing but the very best. I'm sure he will have the same support I had from our great team and he will enjoy his time in office as much as I did. Please take care and be safe.

**Southern California Chapter, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division Association, Inc. Newly elected Board of Directors**

President: Lonnie Long  
Vice President: Bob Adwell  
Treasurer: Dan Smith  
Secretary: vacant  
Membership: James Lee  
Legal Officer: Artie Allen  
Sgt of Arms: Bill Unger  
Chaplain: Tony Aguilar  
Board #1: Bob Bobst  
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Board #3: Jean White  
Board #4: Howard Phillips  
New Position: Historian – Howard Phillips  
Honorary Position: Past President – Tony Aguilar

**Our Chaplain Says:**

Peace is so hard to build so easy to destroy. Peace of mind, Peace of heart, Peace of home, Peace of land. We thank you Lord this day for all those who have given their lives in war that we might live in peace and, in gratitude, become in turn living instruments of peace: Peace in mind, Peace in heart, Peace in home, Peace in land. Amen.

**Thought of the Day:**

If you want a thing done well, do it yourself. Napoleon Bonaparte.

**Interesting Fact:**

The United States Military Academy, also known as West Point, is a four year federal service academy in West Point, New York. It was originally established as a fort that sits on strategic high ground overlooking the Hudson River. The academy traces its roots to 1801, President Thomas Jefferson shortly after his inauguration, set in motion to establish the United States Military Academy at West Point. Candidates for admission must both apply directly to the academy and receive a nomination, usually from a member of Congress or Delegate/Resident Commissioner in the case of Washington, D.C., Puerto Rico, Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Virgin Islands. Other nominations could include the President and Vice President of the United States. Most graduates are commissioned as second lieutenants. Foreign cadets are commissioned into the armies of their home countries. A few notable West Point alumni: Dwight D. Eisenhower, Robert E. Lee, Ulysses S. Grant, George S. Patton, Douglas MacArthur.

**Dues:**

The following members should be renewing their Chapter Dues: Jon Bolton, James Burke, Jeffrey Caspers, Steven Clarke, Michael Frazer, Thomas Hawkins, Hal Hewitt, Enrique Hines, Steven Hummer, James Keen, Ki Kim, Jack Kittinger, Vincent Kyzer, Michael Lathrop, Bradley Lee, Jack McDermott, Cecil McGehee, James McMonagle, Ray Moreno, Burton Quist, Zachary Redden, Eddie Reid, William Reynolds, Nick Romanino, Stephen Sklenka, Mike Slagle IV, Jesse Tipton, Marty Vasquez, Robert Whited, Robert Wuestenfeld, Christopher Yates.

**Dues are:** Veterans: Association \$35 Chapter \$10 Active Duty: Association \$35 Chapter \$5

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**CHAPTER NEWS:**

**Taps: "Death leaves a heartache no one can heal; Love leaves a memory no one can steal"**

**BLUE DIAMOND AND CAMP PENDLETON NEWS:**

The 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division 79<sup>th</sup> Anniversary events were held at Camp Pendleton in sunny Southern California.