



President's Message

Richard B. Rothwell



I am pleased to announce that your Board of Directors has voted to accept two new members – Cal Frantz and Jerry Polyascko. Cal has served CPHS for several years as our volunteer grant writer. Jerry, who is new to the Society, will bring fresh ideas to our discussions. Both will be a great help as we move forward.

Let me publically recognize the dedicated, hard work of Board member Don Gressly. For the last several years Don has served as our membership chairman, Groundbreaker editor, and special events coordinator. His service in all those roles has been extraordinary. At the end of this year, Don will take a well-deserved respite. Fortunately for CPHS he will continue to serve on our Board of Directors. Don, on behalf of your fellow Directors, I thank you for all that you have done. We look forward to your continued close association with CPHS.

We are already planning member events for 2013. In addition to our traditional gathering at the Battle Colors Ceremony featuring the Marine Corps Drum and Bugle Corps and Silent Drill Platoon, we will visit a graduation parade at the San Diego Marine Corps Recruit Depot.

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Wounded Warrior Care Center provides exemplary care to injured Marines and Sailors

During October 2011, Camp Pendleton's Wounded Warrior Care Center opened. The Wounded Warrior Barracks is a two-story building which consists of 66,000 square foot state-of-the-art facility. This much needed facility costing \$29 million, will have billeting/barracks for 200 Marines/ sailors, 38 offices (to include spaces for federal agencies, including the departments of Veteran Affairs and Labor, education specialists and chaplain services, spaces for counseling, mental health recovery), patient reconditioning program/facilities and transportation services for the wounded, sick and injured Marines, sailors and their families.

This facility continues to treat Marine/sailors injured in battle, those involved in regional training incidents or off-base accidents that does not require long-term hospitalization.

Inside the facility there are 100 rooms which will house two-individuals per room. Each room will contain iPod alarm clocks, a refrigerator, sink area, cabinets, a large HDTV, dresser cabinets and a bathroom with shower. The building also has a kitchen area, balcony and outdoor patio with picnic areas and a basketball court.



Wounded Warrior Headquarters



Wounded Warrior Barracks

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HAPPY 237TH BIRTHDAY MARINES

Marine Corps Base Opens New Exchange

On May 3, 2012 the largest shopping experience in the Marine Corps was introduced to the service members and their families aboard Camp Pendleton. The recently constructed Marine Corps Exchange (MCX) opened near Pendleton's Main Gate directly adjacent to the Pacific Plaza and will offer customers an expanded variety of consumer goods.



Opening Day (May 3, 2012)

The MCX facility consists of 147,000 square feet and will provide convenient, one-stop services and sales to cover 41,000 Marines, sailors, countless dependents and retired veterans. Some of the MCX's products and services include the following: Marine Corps Community Services retail, military clothing, barber shop, vision center, watch and jewelry repair, engraving shop, computer technicians, cell phone vendor, Yogurt Land, Duncan's Donuts, tailor shop, 24-hour dry cleaners, a florist and many more. Previous offered products and amenities previously offered at the 11 Area MCX, electronic store and novelty store were relocated to the 20 area. Due to the opening of the MCX in the 20 area, the former 11 area clothing store is now a miniature version of new MCX.

BGen. Vincent A. Coglianese, Commanding General of Marine Corps Installation West-Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, along with other dignitaries, cut a ceremonial ribbon declaring the new MCX open for business. For on-line information visit www.mccscp.com/mcx.



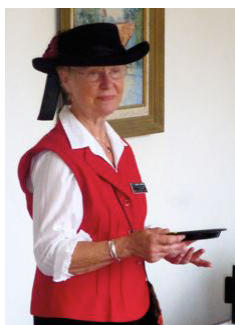
CPHS Fundraiser Another Success

Thanks to our members and guests our 2012 Fundraiser conducted on Saturday, August 11th at the Ranch House raised net proceeds exceeding \$6,800, our second highest amount on record. We want to thank everyone that contributed to our success. We all experienced a gala time and enjoyed the weather, the atmosphere of the historic Ranch House, the live music, a great Mexican buffet and refreshments.

We sincerely appreciated our sponsors: Rancho Mission Viejo Corporation, Pacific Marine Credit Union, the Issa Family Trust and an anonymous member who helped make the Fundraiser a complete success.



BGen and Mary Coglianese



Docent Gudrun Warwick



Paul Durrance



Kevin Cavanaugh



Vintage Vehicle



Attendees enjoying the food



The Blairs and Adkins enjoying a break



Ambulance Rehab

New Camp Pendleton Hospital is On Schedule

The new Camp Pendleton hospital, located near the Main Gate of Camp Pendleton and right off of Vandegrift Blvd. just before the new PX, started in September 2010 and is scheduled to be completed in early 2014.

This replacement hospital is the largest American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) project in the Department of the Navy and is situated on 70 acres. This hospital will be a multilevel 500,000 sq.ft. hospital and include a 2,500 space multi-level parking structure.



(Above) Artist rendition of new hospital.

(Right) Overview of new hospital area.

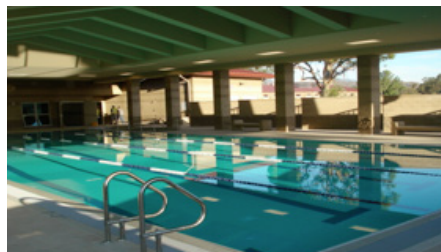


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Additionally, there is a Hope and Care Center that features an indoor therapy pool, a one-eighth mile padded/cork mile running track and chin-up bars scattered through out the complex. The Wounded Warrior Barracks were built to LEED Gold Standards, new energy and water efficient methods and water tolerant landscape features. Many of the cabinets and concrete materials also came from recycled goods.



Wounded Warrior Athletic Field/Track



Wounded Warrior Indoor Therapy Pool

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Those who have attended a graduation parade can attest that it is an uplifting experience. A tentative schedule of planned events is below.

I wish a joyous Holiday Season for our members and their families. As always, I thank you for your support. Without it, we would be unable to help tell and preserve the history of Camp Pendleton.

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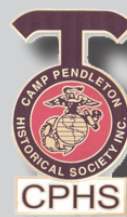
CPHS EVENTS SCHEDULE 2013 (TENTATIVE)

JANUARY	Carlsbad, Minature Museum 3190 Lionshead Ave., Carlsbad, Ca.	Tuesday, January 15 10 a.m.
FEBRUARY	Marine West Military Expo (CPHS Membership Drive)	Date TBD, MCB Start 8 a.m., End about 3 p.m.
MARCH	Battle Colors Ceremony Location: School of Infantry (SOI)	Date TBD, MCB Start TBD, End TBD
APRIL	MCRD Recruit Graudation Parade; Lunch, Tour MCRD Museum	Friday, April 26 Be seated NLT 9:45 a.m. Ending about 3:30 p.m.
AUGUST	CPHS Fundraiser Location: The Ranch House	Saturday, August 3 Start 2 p.m., End about 5 p.m.
SEPTEMBER	3rdMAW, Miramar; Osprey/F-35 Overview; Lunch, Free Time to Check-Out Outdoor Aviation Museum	Date and Time TBD
DECEMBER	Docents Holiday Decorations Location: The Ranch House	(Friday) Date and Time TBD

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