



The Enlisted Association

Chapter 1

NEWSLETTER

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President's Message

Moving into June at a brisk pace! As we move into the summer months and look ahead to reaching our destination, I would like to thank all those that continue to give your loyal support to Chapter 1. On behalf of the BOD and Ad-Hoc transition committee, please accept our sincere appreciation for your patience and understanding. We will soon be in a location that we will be able to call our own, but until then, please keep the faith!

Please thank your entertainment committee for the fine job they did in putting together a fellowship function at the American Legion Post 209. It was very refreshing to see our members out for an evening together. When we finally reach our destination and have our new place, we will hold a dignified anniversary event. Yes, we will even have line dancing!

If you plan to attend the Memorial for Howard Suarez it will be held at the East United Methodist Church at 1505 E. Monument St, 80909. We would like to see as many members come out and provide Howard a lasting goodbye as he considered TREA Chapter 1 his family.

Please keep in mind that our next event will be the annual picnic and we will be announcing the time and location as soon as it is confirmed. Some events take more coordination than others, please keep your calendars open for the last week in July or early August. We hope to see a great turn-out as always!

For those of you representing the Chapter at the TREA Annual Convention in Pittsburgh, please ensure that you have the latest information regarding the event. Please contact Mel Yell for the latest updates.

The next GMM will be held at the Rocky Mountain Brewery on the 24th at 9am. We would appreciate any patronage that you can provide our host after our meeting, they provide a place for us to meet free of charge. Spread the word of their generosity if nothing else. Anything that we can do to get their name out to the membership and community would be greatly appreciated.

Please continue to check the schedule of events and help spread the word to the membership through our network. Also, ensure that we have your email and contact information if you have not been getting electronic delivery of the newsletter and other notices.

Next GMM is June 24, at:
Rocky Mountain Brewery
625 Paonia St, Colorado Springs, CO 80915
(719) 528-1651

Ray Garate,
Chapter Preside

Vice President's Report

Summer has arrived! Hopefully you all have been enjoying the nice weather we've been having. We're diligently looking to find a new place to call home, and we hope to have our choices narrowed down within the next few weeks. It has been a learning process for all of us, (such as learning zoning codes and areas) but we're doing our best to find the best fit for all of you and the club.

We are also working on the summer Picnic, we'll have more information to put out regarding that in the coming weeks.

Needless to say, both the Building Planning Committee and the Entertainment Committee have been fairly busy lately. Please, if you see the members of those committees, tell them how much you appreciate their hard work.

"UNITED WE STAND!"

Lonny Barrett

1st Vice President of Chapter 1

Chaplain's Report

TAPS



Theodore Bullard
James Bradford
Donald T. Holdridge

OTHER DECEASED – TREA FAMILY MEMBERS

Lake E. Powell Idella Greer Brooks

REPORTED SICK

Ed Cates

To our reported sick: Please know that many prayers are going up for you and we are looking forward to your speedy recovery.

Please remember to update your contact information as necessary with the chapter office.

Chaplain's Corner

It is encouraging to be around people that are truly joyful. Beyond the passing moments of happiness, joyful people almost always seem to be at peace in a sense of gratitude and tranquility. The Apostle Paul wrote this to the Philippians: "I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. I know how to be brought low and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. I can do all things through Him who strengthens me." So you see that Joy and Happiness are not the same. Seek joy first.

*You have made known to me the path of life;
You fill me with joy in Your presence; with eternal
pleasures at Your right hand.*

Gal 5:22-23 (NIV)

Rev. Bob Kwiatkowski

Chaplain, Chapter 1

Phone 271-8323

Membership & Marketing

TOTAL Chapter Membership: 1, 249

We will have a membership committee meeting on June 19, 2017 at 12:00 pm at The Village Inn on Academy and Palmer Park. I will call all committee members a few days prior. Thank you for serving on the committee.

Welcome New Member!

The Membership Committee would like to remind the members that are due to renew their membership, that dues are only \$30.00 for the year 2017. We are mailing renewals 90 days in advance. Please mail your dues to the address that is enclosed with your renewal letter.

GREAT NEWS!:

Since we are in transition period for our chapter our Board of Directors have decided to wave your chapter dues (\$10 per year) for the year 2017. As of January 2017, If you have you are one of our member that sent your Chapter dues renewal already, please call our office and leave a detailed message with your

name and member number, or send us an e-mail, and we will issue you a new card, and credit you that fee to the following year.

REMI/NDER: TREA National sends out membership dues reminders, usually before the Chapter does, be aware that the price listed on National reminders DO NOT reflect the price for local Chapter dues. Also, members please be aware that if you pay your dues to National they will not reimburse the \$10.00 for your Chapter 1 local dues and your local membership will expire. We are asking you to please pay your dues here and we will forward dues to National. Please note that while in the process of relocation we will be providing a P.O. Box address with your renewal letters, where this need to be mail. Also if you have an e-mail address attach it to your renewal, this will make it easier and faster for us to keep in touch with you.

Jodi Maxwell

Director, Membership & Marketing

Military Affairs

Latest Legislation and Military Affairs

If you do not subscribe to the Afterburner consider either subscribing to the semi-annual newsletter or logging in at this web site to stay up to date on issues that affect military retirees: <http://www.retirees.af.mil/afterburner/> . The latest edition is now available.

A bipartisan group of senators was introduced to new Veterans Affairs accountability legislation that features a sped-up firing process for misbehaving employees, a mechanism for stripping those workers of ill-gotten bonuses, and an endorsement from key congressional leaders. The Court of the Appeals for the Federal Circuit shot down a provision in the Veterans Access, Choice and Accountability Act intended to expedite the removal of senior VA employees based on misconduct or gross incompetence. It is

unclear if the new legislation takes into account the concerns of that court with these types of actions.

TREA will be working hard to stop any cuts in veterans' benefits that may be proposed in congress as part of budget process to balance the federal budget and we will keep you updated as things develop. Mr. Philpott of the Military Times says the 13th Quadrennial Review of Military Compensation (QRMC) is likely to take a hard look at converting service members from traditional basic pay and tax-free allowances to a single, civilian-like salary system.

Notes from the Peterson AFB May Retiree Activities Office Meeting:

21SW – The 25th Anniversary of the 21SW is being celebrated at the Peterson AFB Museum @ 1000 on the 25th of May

10ABW - Change of Command is June 24th
Silver Key – Tentatively starting transportation to Peterson AFB beginning 1 July between the hours of 0800 – 1600. Call 719-884-2380 to register
RAO – Butch Read update on the Pikes Peak National Cemetery

- Phase I is ahead of schedule and will encompass 10,000 plots
- Early internment maybe ready for the fall / winter of 2018
- Cemetery Address is 10545 Drennan Rd, Colorado Springs, CO 80925

Red Cross – Next stand down is scheduled for the 17th of October at the City Auditorium

- DAV Chapter 26 is sponsoring popcorn at the VA Clinic every Tuesday starting 30th of May

Commissary – AFA case lot sale is the 24th of May
BX – Asian Pacific Month celebration is the 27th of May at the Peterson BX

- Tobacco prices are increasing per DoD mandate

VA Update - Carl McDaniel can help with pre-burial form (VA Cemetery) and he has offices at 5850 Championship View and Mt Carmel Center of Excellence

RMVFF – Chief Galvin is still pursuing purchase of the Holy Cross Abbey

- Veterans celebration at Cheyenne Mountain State Park opposite Ft. Carson Gate 1; free food for the first 200 veterans that call to register: 719-694-3105
- Silver Spruce Golf Tournament Peterson AFB (4-man scramble) cost is 85 dollars

Important Dates:

- 20 May 2017 – Armed Forces Day
- 24 May 2017 – USAFA Graduation
- 25 May 2017 – 25th Anniversary of the 21st Space Wing
- 29 May 2017 – Memorial Day

Next meeting is 8 June at 1430 at Peterson AFB, Bldg. 310 in the west wing (test room). Guest speaker is CMSgt Bob Woodin, Forrest L. Vosler NCO Academy Commandant.

Notes from the May Ft Carson Retiree Council Meeting:

Upcoming Dates:

- 4th of July Freedom Fest
- Fireworks on the 2nd of July
- Carnival on the 1st and 2nd but the 1st is open to Active Duty ID card holders only
- Iron Horse Week scheduled 13 and 14 August
- Medal of Honor Convention in Pueblo September 9 – 15
- 101st Airborne Reunion for 2019 is tentatively scheduled to be held in Colorado Springs
- Colorado Springs Stand Down is 17 October
- The next Retiree Information Day will be tentatively held at Ft. Carson on the 14th of October

Exchange - vetverify.org is the site to use for all veterans honorably discharged to access AAFES on-line purchasing effective 11 Nov this year (DD Form 214 required to sign up on line)

Commissary – Will perform a reset and will be CLOSED 26 and 27 June

United Health – Briefed that the thought is that Healthnet will assume Tricare West Region contract the 1st of January, 2018 despite challenge to contract still at Appeals Court

The next Retiree Council Meeting is scheduled on the 20 June at 0900 and all meetings are held at the Ft. Carson Golf Club House.

The Military Retiree Activities Office (RAO) at Peterson AFB and AFA are always looking for volunteer staff. If you have the time I encourage you to contact the Peterson RAO at 556-7153 or the AFA RAO at 333-7877 and volunteer.

UNITED WE STAND!

Greg Bell

Director of Military Affairs

A Note from Chuck Zeitvogel

Junior ROTC & Chapter 1 -TREA: The Enlisted Association – 2017

Junior ROTC Award Recognitions – Chuck Zeitvogel, , Chapter 1

Congratulations to the five (5) Chapter 1 representatives who presented six (6) TREA: The Enlisted Junior ROTC Awards of Merit to cadets at ceremonies conducted by their respective units. The cadets were selected in accordance with TREA: The Enlisted Association's Standing Rule 8.

Those five were:

Lonny Barrett going to Doherty High School, April 6th, to make the presentation to Cadet David Perea

Hank Reisig going to Air Academy High School, May 1st to make the presentation to Cadet Bonnie Yinger,

Gregory Bell going to Harrison High School, May 3rd to make the presentation to Cadet Tyler Humphrey,

Marvin Weaver going to Mitchell High School, May 4th to make the presentation to Cadet SMSgt Jonathan Twombly,

Roger DeLosh going to Falcon High School, May 4th to make the presentation to Cadet Kene Norby, Hank Reisig going to Sandcreek High School, May 5th, celebrating at Hotel Elegante, to make the presentation to Cadet Jessie Fehrenbach.

These five (5) presenters demonstrated dedication and leadership to cadets, their families, leadership of the Junior ROTC programs at the six (6) high schools, and particularly to the cadets who received this award of merit. The cadre of the individual Junior ROTC units select which cadets to receive this Award of Merit. Some units have memberships of nearly a hundred while others have memberships of up to two hundred or more. Chapter members who attend unit recognition programs and make these presentations play an important part in motivating cadets to achieve their potential.

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Chuck Zeitvogel

Awards Chairman

Auxiliary President's Report

On May 15th the Auxiliary had a General Membership Meeting (GMM) at the Golden Corral. A great turnout and a very productive meeting. We discussed our upcoming convention and learned we have eight delegates. It was also good to see Marie Peterson, Maria Rothrock and Kay Claman back.

By having the Auxiliary's GMM on the 15th it gave the Auxiliary a chance to sit in on the Chapter's meeting. It is not necessary for the ladies to attend the Chapter's meeting now that our 1st Vice President (Veronica) is on the Building Committee.

Our next Board Meeting is at IHOP on June 21st at 11 O'clock, 10 O'clock for breakfast. The I-Hop is 5749 Stetson Blvd off of Powers Blvd.

General Membership is June 23rd at the IHOP on 6005 Constitution Ave at 10 O'clock. 9 O'clock for breakfast.

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Kitty Jones

President, Chapter 1 Auxiliary

Auxiliary Chaplain's Report

Reported sick: Vivian Dawson-Mullis

1. Please keep Vivian in your prayers as well as all our other Auxiliary members who are ill. 2. Members: Please let me know when one of our members needs a "Get Well," "Thinking of You," or "Sympathy" card. We need to let our members know that we think about them and care about them. 3. Something to think about: "I have learned silence from the talkative, tolerance from the intolerant, and kindness from the unkind. I shall not be ungrateful to these teachers. (Author Unknown)" - Auxiliary Chaplain Alice De Boer

MISCELLANEOUS: Our Auxiliary monthly lunch will be on Thursday, June 22 at 12:00 at the Golden Coral on Palmer Park and Powers. All are invited to attend. This is our time to socialize and get to know our new member too. And you can attend every month or whenever you wish - it's up to you. It's an informal lunch so there is no RSVP. Hope to see you at our next Thursday lunch.

Alice DeBoer

Chaplain, Chapter 1 Auxiliary

Auxiliary Membership

A special welcome is extended to Yvonne Dugay, who recently rejoined\.

The new mailing address for TREA Chapter 1 and the Auxiliary is PO Box 77079, Colorado Spgs, CO 80970-7079. Temporary phone for the Chapter is 719-367-4072. However, it is suggested that questions concerning the Auxiliary be directed to current members of the Board. Continued recruitment by everyone is going to be the key for the Chapter and the Auxiliary to continue for the future. Everyone's help is needed to keep members informed concerning general membership meetings, special functions, etc. Talk to your friends. Spread the word!

Change in Procedure – The Auxiliary Membership Chairman and Treasurer will be using their home addresses to communicate concerning membership matters. Until further notice, suggest dues be mailed directly to **Membership Chairman Kay Claman, 20577 Murphy Rd, Peyton, CO 80831-9214**. Be assured that all actions will be taken to send Membership Transmittals to TREA National

Auxiliary in a timely manner. Local renewal notice letters with TREA Chapter 1 Auxiliary Application and self-addressed envelope to address shown above have been sent to members with May expirations.

Just a Reminder - Renewal Notices are sent **directly** to regular/associate members from TREA National Auxiliary **sixty days** prior to expiration month. Dues cover membership to **both** TREA National Auxiliary **and** TREA Chapter 1 Auxiliary. Payment may be made **directly** to National, or locally through Chapter 1 Auxiliary which we recommend in order for us to keep our records straight. A TREA Chapter 1 Auxiliary laminated card is mailed to the member **after new expiration date** has been verified from the latest National Roster.

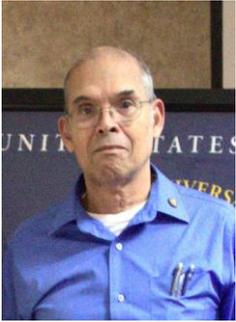
Kay Claman

Director, Membership

Announcements

Celebration of Life Service

Saturday June 10th at 11:00a.m.



Master Sgt. Howard Suarez

March 1946 – April 2017

As many of you already know Howard passed away in April. Due to the way he passed we had to wait several weeks to be able to pick up his ashes. Most of our members that had the opportunity to work with him, or became friends with him are aware that Howard did not have any blood related family. He was a very simple men with a big heart, who enjoyed music and shared a beer and a great history conversation with many, in his own words **“TREA is where I met my real family.”** Because of this reason we are going to get together to Celebrate his life and service not only to this great nation, but also The Enlisted Association.

East United Methodist Church

1505 E Monument St, Colorado Springs, CO 80909

Prior to the Service

We would like to Thank CVMA 3-7 for volunteering to escort Howard’s Ashes from TREA; The Enlisted Association Ch.1’s Old building where Howard worked and proceed to the church, so he can have a final visit to the place where he worked, socialized and like he said “Met his real family.”

CVMA 3-7 will be meeting

at 10:00a.m. at the old Ch.1 building
834 Emory Cr., Colorado Springs, CO. 8015

Everybody is welcome to join, please keep in mind that we will be following regular traffic regulations, this will not be a formal procession

Next General Membership Meeting

Our next General Membership meeting; **June 24th at 9:00am.**

Location; **Rocky Mountain Brewery**
625 Paonia St,
Colorado Springs, CO 80915

Rocky Mountain Brewery are great supporters of TREA; The Enlisted Association Ch1. They are providing us with a place to distribute our monthly newsletter, so those members that do not have an e-mail can pick up their copy there, I encourage you so stop by and say hi! And thank you to the owner Dwayne and to our BOD Member CJ Roberts for making this possible.



Saturday July 29th
11:00a.m. to 4:00p.m
At The Peterson Club

Food, music, and lots of fun

\$6/person for members and their families
\$8/person for Military non-members, and
their families

Children under 5 eat FREE

(Please let us know when you purchase your tickets so we
can give you a child meal ticket)

Tickets for sale at **Rocky Mountain Brewery**
on the following dates;

From 2:00p.m to 3:00p.m

Friday; June 30th, July 7th, July 14th

Last chance to get your tickets

Friday July 21st from 2:00p.m to 4:00p.m

Just for Fun TRIVIA

May's Newsletter Trivia answers

1. - Which 8 Presidents were not recognized as being born in the United States?

No President has been born outside the territory that is now the United States. Eight Presidents, however, were born before 1776, meaning they were born before the United States existed:

- George Washington
- John Adams
- Thomas Jefferson
- James Madison
- John Quincy Adams
- Andrew Jackson
- William Henry Harrison

All eight of those were born in the British colonies that later became the US.

JUNE TRIVIA QUESTION

1.-When were each branch of the military started?

Answer will be provided in our next month newsletter

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Sergeant- at Arms ----- Marvin Weaver	
Grievance ----- Mel Yell	

OFFICE HOURS

Starting immediately, we will have a new temporary phone number, I will do my best to answer it on the following schedule, if I do not answer make sure you leave a detailed message, so I can return your call

(719) 367-4072 or (719) 596-0927
Monday through Thursday 10:00a.m. to 5:00p.m

Our Temporary Address;

TREA; The Enlisted Association Ch.1
P.O. Box 77079
Colorado Springs, CO. 80970-7079

If you have an e-mail address that we can use to keep in touch with you, please send an e-mail to us with your information, e-mail address, so we can add you to our list. Keep in mind that your e-mail will only be use to keep you updated on TREA; The Enlisted Association business, and will not be given to other groups, or associations. **Treach1@msn.com**