



# The Enlisted Association

## Chapter 1

### NEWSLETTER

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### President's Message

Fall is just around the corner, and if you've been keeping up with Chapter 1 News, you know that we have located, procured and have begun work on our new Chapter Home. We have overcome a major hurdle, but the work is just starting. We do not have a concrete timeline for our Grand Re-Opening, but we hope it will be sometime in October, we still have some work going on, and need to get some of our permitting in order. But there is always something to be done, and the main thing is the trailer offload. We will send out a blast e-mail in the near future announcing the date of the offload and we will need volunteers for that. I would like to thank all the Board Members, and Chapter members that have worked to make this dream become a reality and would like to especially thank all of you that have shown up to work on getting this place in shape! I would like to congratulate Wally Jones on being

appointed the Chairman of the Pikes Peak National Cemetery Support Committee. We all know Wally has been heavily involved with the committee for quite some time and his involvement benefits every Veteran in the Front Range.

With National Convention around the corner, I would like to wish our Treasurer, Ed Cates the best of luck in his run for National President. I would also like to thank John Adams for his dedication and commitment to the office of the National President for the last two years and congratulate him on a Job Well Done! We've submitted many Chapter Members for Awards this year so I'm hoping for a clean sweep in that category, but we'll just have to wait and see what happens.

We will see you all at the October Meeting!

*UNITED WE STAND!*

*Lonny L.J. Barrett*

Chapter 1 President

### Chaplain's Report



#### TAPS

#### OTHER DECEASED – TREA FAMILY MEMBERS

#### REPORTED SICK

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

The verse below is only a small part of Job's response to God in his asking forgiveness. I encourage you to read more of chapter 42 of Job and a few chapters earlier. How often we are like Job and ask

God and demand that we be treated better. God is an all powerful God and His ways are well above ours. I know we have all heard of God and most will believe in Him, but do we stop to actually recognize Him as we see Him in all the earthly glory that surrounds us. Who of us can make the heavens and earth to be just right to support life, for example? Open our eyes Lord and help us to 'see' You.

*My ears had heard of You but now my eyes have seen You.*

Job 42:5 (NIV)

*Rev. Bob Ksiatkowski*

Chaplain, Chapter 1

## Membership & Marketing

### **TOTAL Chapter Membership: 1,097**

**NOTE.-** A reminder to all members there is a new policy with National effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 .

All National dues must be sent to Nationals, Make sure you include your ID number.

### **TREA; The Enlisted Association**

#### **Att. Membership**

**1111 S Abilene Ct.**

**Aurora, CO 80012**

And all Chapter dues must be paid to the chapter.

Until our chapter has a new place, \$10 yearly Chapter dues will be waived. If you do not get your new chapter ID a few weeks after paying your National dues, please contact the chapter via e-mail so we can send you one. [Treach1@msn.com](mailto:Treach1@msn.com)

All courtesy, Sponsor, memberships must still be paid to the chapter.

### **TREA; The Enlisted Association Ch 1**

#### **Att. Membership**

**P.O. Box 77079**

**Colorado Springs, CO. 80970-7079**

### **Welcome New Member!**

We are mailing renewals 90 days in advance. For those with courtesy, and Sponsored Membership. Any other members will be send by Nationals. 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 waive your chapter dues (\$10 per year) for the year 2018 until we have a place.

**REMINDER:** TREA National sends out membership dues reminders, usually before the Chapter dues, be aware that the price listed on National reminders DO NOT reflect the price for local Chapter dues. When Ch. 1 re-start charging yearly chapter dues, the chapter will send you a notice.

*Ron Bitten*

1yr. Director, Membership & Marketing

## Military Affairs

As I previously wrote in our chapter newsletters, the current Tricare Retiree Dental Plan ends December 31<sup>st</sup> of this year. To participate in the new retiree dental plan Federal Employee Dental and Vision Insurance Program (FEDVIP) there are six things you should know. First of all, you must choose a plan during this year's open enrollment period which is November 12 to December 10. Any future changes must be paired with a qualifying event or made during open enrollment. If you do nothing, you will not have coverage. If you are retiring from the military prior to December 31<sup>st</sup> of this year and you desire to participate in a retiree dental plan, you must unfortunately enroll in Tricare's Dental Plan and still pick a FED VIP plan during the open enrollment period. You can compare FEDVIP plans now but any changes and new fees will not be released until October. There are potentially hidden plan waiting periods. If you or anyone in your family is receiving orthodontic care through Tricare's retiree dental plan or you anticipate needing major dental work between December 31<sup>st</sup> of this year and December 31<sup>st</sup> of 2019 be careful to select the right plan

because many of the plans have significant waiting periods, some as long as a year.

The Pentagon has announced that effective July 12, 2019, servicemembers desiring to transfer their Post 9/11 GI Bill benefit to a spouse or child(ren) will need to do so no later than their 16<sup>th</sup> year of service. Prior to this announcement, there were no restrictions on when servicemembers could transfer educational benefits to family members. The requirement for the servicemember to have at least six years of service to apply for transfer remains in effect. Unfortunately, the new DoD policy wasn't enough for the Navy. On July 16 the Navy announced that effective immediately, any sailors and naval officers who can't serve four additional years are ineligible to transfer the benefit. This affects Navy personnel ineligible due to their time in grade as well as those with an impending medical retirement.

The delay in funding a new VA Bill is the debate about how to fund the VA MISSION Act that was passed earlier this summer the view in the House is that it should be paid for by cutting other programs. In this case, they have their

eye on the Department of Homeland Security. the delay is the debate about how to fund the VA MISSION Act that was passed earlier this summer. The proposal from the House of Representatives is to cut \$1.7 billion from the Department of Homeland Security, including \$1.1 billion from the Coast Guard. A proposal in the Senate, on the other hand, would be to cut Coast Guard spending "only" by about \$200 million and would include \$750 million for a heavy icebreaker. One of the Coast Guard's most important mission is to enforce our border security, but congress is prepared to cut funding for the Coast Guard while partially funding a border wall.

Chapter 1 sponsored a Vietnam War Commemoration Ceremony on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of July at DAV Chapter 26. We continue to be grateful for the use of the Knob Hill Chapter's facility. Hank Reisig also pinned another 12 members of the Combat Helicopter Association on th 4<sup>th</sup> of August at the IHOP in Fountain. The next ceremony will be held at DAV Chapter 26 on the 13<sup>th</sup> of September at 1200. We are also looking forward to holding a recognition ceremony honoring the surviving spouses of Vietnam Era Veterans in our own building, probably on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of November.

The Military Personnel Flight in Building 350 at the Peterson Air Force will be providing ID card services to our retiree community on 15 September 2018 from 0730 to 1000. To ensure that we can service you to the best of

our ability, we need for you to bring in TWO forms of non-expired Identification in addition to your retiree ID card, as your expired retiree card will be confiscated at the gate.

Examples of valid identification includes: Common Access Card (CAC), Veterans Affairs (VA) Card, Concealed Carry Card, Driver's License. However, SSN Cards and Birth Certificates are considered secondary forms of ID and can be used in conjunction with the aforementioned documents.

Should you have any questions prior to next Saturday, my team and I can be reached at 556-0008, option 1. Thank you for your service to our Great Nation and I look forward to seeing you all soon.

CHARLES A. WARREN II, 2nd Lt, USAF  
OIC, Customer Support  
21st Force Support Squadron  
Peterson AFB, CO  
COMM 719-556-4966 / DSN 834-4966.

**United we stand!**

*Greg Bell*

**Director of Military Affairs**

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## Entertainment

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The picnic was a great time, plenty of food, good music, plenty to do. Thank you to everyone who came out and enjoyed their selves. I would also like to thank the entertainment committee and the ladies auxiliary for all of your help. We are working hard on putting together the Veterans Ball. Due to the timeline on getting our new

building together, the date and details have not yet been finalized. More details to follow.

**United we stand!**

*Jodi Maxwell*

**Director of Entertainment**

## Auxiliary President's Report

Hello to all auxiliary members out there. Here's wishing all are well, up and about. At our last General Membership Meeting we have our election committee formed. They are Kay Claman, Chairman with Pat Guild and Char Moles. One of the members of the committee will be calling members for a position on the board. Please step up for one of these positions.

My thanks go out to Pat Buist, Ruth Adams and Olga Guthrie for a lovely tea on August 25<sup>th</sup>. If you missed the tea make sure you know about our Christmas Party coming up on December, the 1<sup>st</sup>. Put that date on your calendar, more information coming soon.

I've heard one of our long-time members was not aware of the tea. So please pass the word when we have our events.

No meetings in September. Our next fourth Thursday luncheon will be at Mimi's on Powers Blvd at noon. Hope to see all there.

**UNITED WE STAND!**

*Kitty Jones*

President, Chapter 1 Auxiliary

## Auxiliary Chaplain's Report

Ladies, please remember to provide me with any information regarding members who are ill, hospitalized or who have lost a loved one. Let's keep each other in prayer, we all need it.

I will be out-of-town 31 Aug. - 5 Sept.; Char Moles will be the Acting Chaplain.

I will be out-of-town 17 Sept. - 22 Sept; Cheryl Ehrke will be the Acting Chaplain.

**ILLNESS:**

Irmgard Cates was hospitalized on August 10th for a surgical neck operation and discharged home on the 11th. Please remember her in your prayers.

Words to Ponder: Psalm 23

The Lord is my Shepherd – That's Relationship!

I shall not want – That's Supply!

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures – That's Rest!

He leadeth me beside the still waters – That's Refreshment!

He restoreth my soul – That's Healing!

He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness – That's Guidance!

For His name sake – That's Purpose!

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death – That's Testing!

I will fear no evil – That's Protection!

For Thou art with me – That's Faithfulness!

Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me – That's Discipline!

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies – That's Hope!

Thou anointest my head with oil – That's Consecration!

My cup runneth over – That's Abundance!

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life – That's Blessing!

And I will dwell in the house of the Lord – That's Security!

Forever – That's Eternity!

*Pauline Watkins*

Chaplain, Chapter 1 Auxiliary

## Auxiliary Membership

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**Reminder** - Mailing address for TREA Chapter 1 and the Auxiliary is PO Box 77079, Colorado Springs, 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. Phone numbers of current Auxiliary officers and committee chairpersons are included in every issue of the Newsletter. Everyone's help is needed to keep members informed concerning general membership meetings, special functions, etc. Keep spreading the word!

**Change in Procedure** – The Auxiliary Membership Chairman and Treasurer are using 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**. All actions are being 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 the most current address were sent to members with August expirations.

**Notice – Distribution of TREA Chapter 1 Newsletter to Auxiliary Members** – Copies can be picked up at the Rocky Mountain Brewery on Paonia Street. Local members can also receive issues by mail. Address labels are provided by the Membership Chairperson to Chapter One for this purpose. Contact the Membership Chairperson (719-749-0001 or 440-5772 cell) to have your name, or name of another local member added to the database for this purpose. E-mail availability is also available through the Chapter 1 office.

**Another Reminder** - Auxiliary membership dues are **\$20 for one year, \$40 for 2 years, and \$45 for 3 years (special offer)**. 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, recommended in order 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.

**CHAPTER 1 AUXILIARY BYLAWS & STANDING RULES**

By Kay Claman, Chairperson

Several Bylaw and Standing Rule Changes were presented at the August general membership meeting and will be voted on at October general membership meeting. Listed below are the Bylaw changes presented:

### ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

Section 1.a.(1) – Regular Members: Delete “with 10 years or more retirement creditable service”. Current wording restrictive and not in line with Chapter 1 Bylaws.

Section 2.a. – Courtesy Members: Delete “or participate in the Scholarship Program.” No longer applicable.

Section 3 – Good Standing: Subparas a. and f.

Changes allow regular Auxiliary members to maintain Auxiliary membership for the current and subsequent terms if the Chapter 1 member is suspended or expelled. Current wording penalizes the Auxiliary member unnecessarily.

### ARTICLE VII – ELECTIONS

Section 2 – Nominating Committee: Change allows the committee members to be appointed by the President rather than elected. Election not considered necessary.

Section 5 – Term of Office: Delete “The President shall not be elected to more than two consecutive one year term. Terminology considered restrictive.

### ARTICLE VIII – OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

Section 1 – Elected Officers – Delete 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President position

Section 2 – Appointed Officials – Delete Corresponding Secretary and Historian positions.

Duties normally assigned to these positions can be accomplished effectively by other positions.

### ARTICLE XI – COMMITTEES

Section 1 – Standing Committees – Delete Bingo, Donation, Historian, and Snack Bar

Section 2 – Special Committees – Delete Decorations and Finance Ways & Means (Aux Rep only). No longer required.

Changes to applicable Standing Rules are necessary due to Bylaw changes shown above.

*Kay Claman*

Director, Membership

# Announcements

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## Next General Membership Meeting

Our next General Membership meeting; **October 20 , at 9:00am.**

Location; **TREA; The Enlisted Association Ch.1**  
3035 B South Academy, Colorado Springs CO. 80916

*You can still pick up a hard copy of our Newsletter at*  
**Rocky Mountain Brewery,**  
625 Paonia St, Colorado Springs, CO 80915

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### ATTENTION VETERANS

**DID YOU SERVE IN THE U.S. ARMED FORCES  
BETWEEN NOVEMBER 1955 AND MAY 1975?**

IN 2012, THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE  
AUTHORIZED A VIETNAM ERA VETERAN'S LAPEL  
PIN TO BE PRESENTED IN RECOGNITION OF YOUR  
SERVICE. YOU MAY VERIFY THIS AT  
[WWW.VIETNAMWAR50THCOMMEMORATION](http://WWW.VIETNAMWAR50THCOMMEMORATION). TREA,  
THE ENLISTED ASSOCIATION,

CHAPTER 1, IS A "PARTNERSHIP ORGANIZATION"

AUTHORIZED TO PRESENT THOSE LAPEL PINS TO  
YOU ALONG WITH AN APPROPRIATE CERTIFICATE.  
PLEASE EMAIL [greg.bell@comcast.net](mailto:greg.bell@comcast.net) (719-650-0042) or  
[henryreisig@hotmail.com](mailto:henryreisig@hotmail.com) (719-425-5261)  
TO HAVE YOUR NAME AND INFORMATION PLACED  
ON A LIST FOR OUR NEXT COMMEMORATION  
CEREMONY

### November Elections:

It's that time of year to throw your name in the hat to serve on the Board of Directors. There will be vacancies for the Treasurer and Directors and possibly the Recording Secretary positions. You are welcome to fill out the Officer candidate form and run for any position on the Board, please do so and e-mail them in as soon as possible. Declared candidates (to date) running for re-election are as follows:

Lonny Barrett - President

Greg Bell - First Vice President

John Wall - Second Vice President

Bernice Barrett - Director

If you wish to run for office please bring a filled out candidate form to the October meeting.

**CEMETERY UPDATE**

The Pikes Peak National Cemetery is in need of two daily volunteers positions starting the day the cemetery officially opens. 1st Position - Front desk and reception. 2nd - Outdoor information and traffic control. The manning for these position will be determined based on how many volunteers we receive. If you know any one that is interested, please send their names or have them contact my Program Specialist and volunteer coordinator (Rich Munoz) [Richard.Munoz2@va.gov](mailto:Richard.Munoz2@va.gov) or [719-216-1025](tel:719-216-1025). When they contact Rich, Rich will give them a packet to get registered as a volunteer with the VA at the CS VA Clinic. Registering with the VA allows the volunteer to get a free lunch voucher at Subway after 4HR worked and their hours are tracked for recognition and year-end awards.

**The Enlisted Association Auxiliary Ch1**

How and what must we do to energize our auxiliary younger spouses to join our organization? The women who attend our meetings are the ones who do all the work!

Quite frankly, it is tiring, and we are not getting younger. Help!! We desperately need fresh ideas, new blood, enthusiastic individuals willing to contribute their youthful capabilities for a successful, Vital organization.

The Auxiliary has contribute to our community’s needs over the years, unless we can encourage spouses to join, the Auxiliary and partake in our organization function, we cannot continue to serve the community and other purposes as we have done previously.

**Cheryle Ehrke**

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**Dear Members,**

As most of you know I am running for TREA President and I want to ask you to contact our Chapter Delegates to let them know you will be supporting me in my run. I believe that I am the person TREA must have if it is to pull out of its current decline. I have held positions on the BOD or one of TREA’s subdivisions for the 14 years to include serving on the Memorial Foundation, Chairing the BOD for The Senior Citizens League and serving as Treasurer for four years. I have served under four different presidents and have learned from each. TREA is going through unprecedented change and faces even more change in the near future, it is going to take someone who knows all facets of TREA’s business to lead it forward and I believe I am that person. **Ed Cates**

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**Office**

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**

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](mailto:Treach1@msn.com)

TREA CHAPTER 1 BOD 2018

President----- Lonny Barrett  
 1st. Vice President----- Christopher Roberts  
 2nd Vice President----- Greg Bell  
 Recording Secretary----- Mike McNeill  
 Treasure----- Ed. Cates  
 1 Year Director----- Ron Bitten  
 1 Year Director ----- John Wall  
 2 Year Director ----- Jodi Maxwell  
 2 Year Director ----- Bernice Barrett  
 Chaplain ----- Bob Kwiatowski  
 Parliamentarian ----- Roger DeLosh  
 Sergeant- at Arms ----- Wally Jones  
 Grievance ----- Mel Yell

TREA CHAPTER 1 AUXILIARY BOD 2018

Kitty Jones ----- President ----- 719-593- 8187  
 Veronica Zeitvogel --- 1st Vice President --- 719-459-2152  
 Minnie Hensley----- 2d Vice President -- 719-447-9655  
 Olga Guthrie ----- Treasurer ----- 719-264-6535  
 Becky Kluck -----Recording Secretary - 719-574-2397  
 Olga Layne-Hill ----- 1-Year Director ----- 719-522-9453  
 Yvonne Dugay ----- 2-Year Director ----- 719-597-9903  
 Pauline Watkins----- Chaplain -----719-591-8452  
 Kay Claman ----- Membership Chair -- 719-749-0001  
 Irmgard Cates ----- Parliamentarian ----- 719-593-0112  
 Oznur Quinones ----- Sergeant-at-Arms --- 719-390-4986  
 Margaret Coleman -- Grievance ----- 719-574-0335