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#### North Fuji Manuever Area, Shizouka, Japan

3rd MARINE DIVISION

11.28.2023

Photo by Sgt. Alyssa Chuluda

U.S. Marine Corps Sgt Brenden Paul, left, fires an during Artillery Relocation Training Program 23.3 in the North Fuji Maneuver Area at Combined Arms Training Center Camp Fuji, Japan, Nov. 28, 2023. The skills developed at ARTP increase the proficiency and readiness of the only permanently forward-deployed artillery unit in the Marine Corps, enabling them to provide indirect fires. Paul, a native of Houston, Texas, is a motor transport operator with Combat Logistics Battalion 12, Combat Logistics Regiment 3, 3rd Marine Logistics Group. (U.S. Marine Corps photo by Sgt. Alyssa Chuluda)

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## Quick Notes



### 2024 Reunion

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### By Laws: USMC MTA

The officers board has reviewed the by laws and have recommended changes for the general membership to vote on at the reunion. Anyone who wishes to see the recommend changes can e mail the secretary at [secretary@usmcmmta.org](mailto:secretary@usmcmmta.org) for a copy of the by laws with the recommend changes.

### Scholarship's

MTA members, it's not too late to talk to your children, grandchildren about the next scholarships. Remember one is awarded to a student going to attend a four year college and the other is for a student going to a vocational/technical school/college. June 30th is the submission deadline Forms are available email: [auxpresident@usmcmmta.org](mailto:auxpresident@usmcmmta.org)

### MTA Members

With inquiries as to membership, renewals or questions about MTA, call MTA Secretary at

**910.581.1309, Eastern Std. Time: 1-6 PM**

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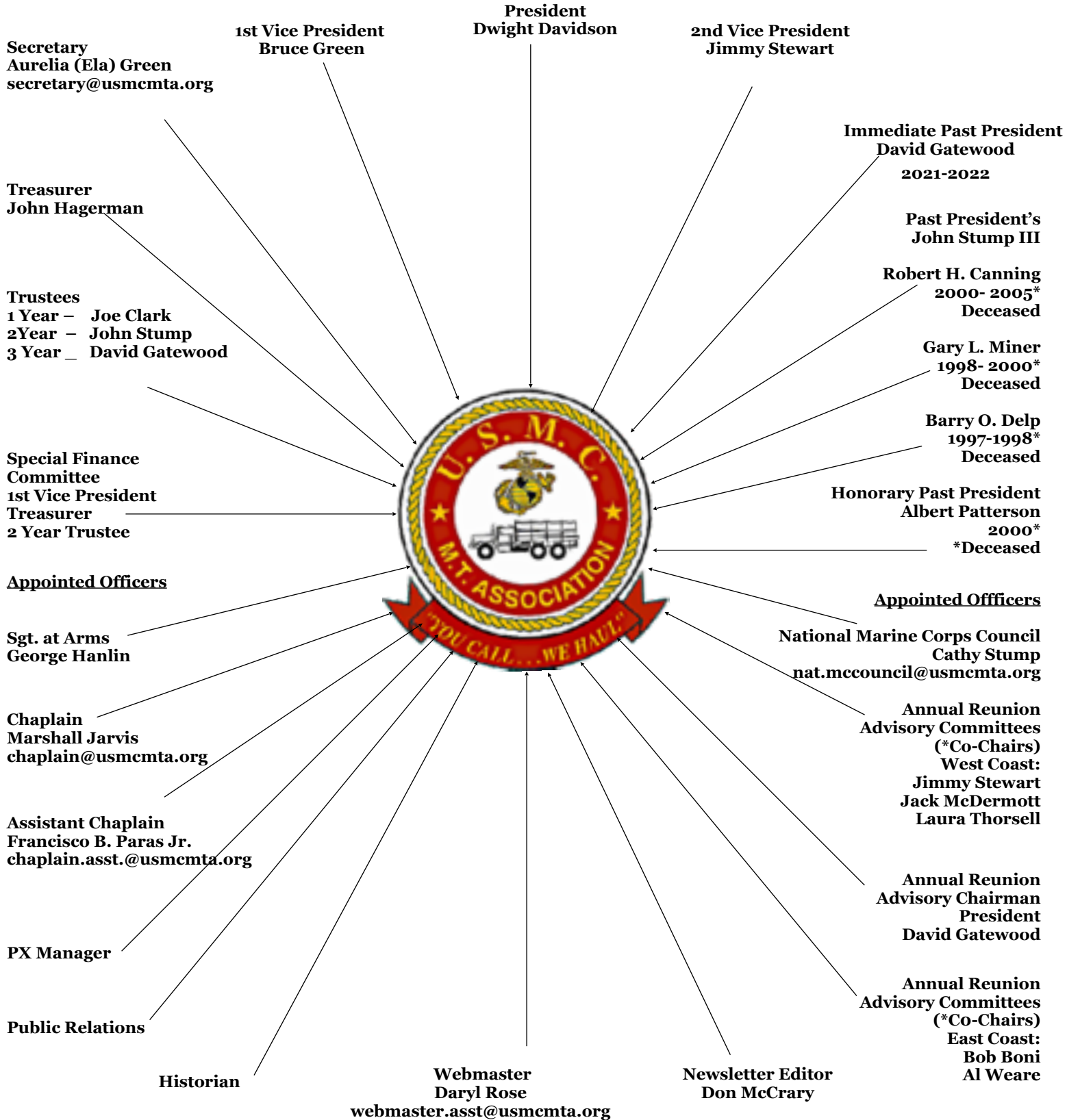
This Association was formed to bring together all Retired, Veteran Marine, Active Duty, Reserve and others who have served in or with the USMC Motor Transport Field.

**USMC MOTOR TRANSPORT ASSOCIATION INC.**  
**Elected and Appointed Officers**

**MTA Office Ph. No# 910.581.1309**

The following email address is point of contact for the MTA Secretary and Officers  
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**Elected Officers**



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### **Membership and Member's Renewal**

**All MTA transaction(s) require payment by  
check or money order  
no credit cards**

## **W A N T E D**

### **SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS**

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APPLICATIONS MUST BE RETURNED  
(COMPLETED) BY June 29, 2023 OR AT LEAST POST MARKED  
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Until next time..

## President

Dwight Davidson

MTA Members can contact me by way of the USMC MTA Secretary at [secretary@usmcmmta.org](mailto:secretary@usmcmmta.org) or calling our office phone 910.581.1309.

I'm looking forward to seeing each of you in 2024 at the Reno, Nevada MTA Reunion. It's worth saying, picking up where we left off with so many things to do and such rich west coast hospitality and historical significance. As details emerge and reunion packages are confirmed we will followup enabling enough time for each of you to make reservations.

Hope all had a wonderful winter and looking to spring to bring the green back, once more.

Dwight Davidson

## Secretary

Aurelia Green

The reunion site for next year (2024) will be Reno, Nevada, We are actively working on the details for this reunion and will keep you posted.

Dwight Davidson was elected the new president.

Board of Officers are as follows:

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1st Vice Pres.	Bruce Green
Secretary	Aurelia Green

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Chaplain	Marshall Jarvis
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Appointed: Historian	None

We also ask each member to let us know if you are moving or have moved to provide us with your new address.

Members can contact me at:  
MTA Secretary by way of email at [secretary@usmcmmta.org](mailto:secretary@usmcmmta.org). and/or call 910.581.1309

Members, if you have any questions pertaining to yearly dues, change of postal mailing address or email address change or any other questions you may have pertaining to the MTA., please contact me. Note the following change to: Membership / Member's Renewal.

All MTA transactions require payment to be by check or money order. Recently there has been a change as to credit card(s), No credit cards accepted.

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Well, that's all I have for now.

Thank you  
Aurelia Green  
USMC MTA/Secretary

( MTAA President on page 7 )

## MTAA President

Mary Jarvis

Happy New Year from South Carolina..I sincerely hope that the later part of 2023 was good for you all and your holidays were everything you hoped.

May 2024 bring health, peace, happiness and a trip to the reunion in Reno! Hopefully plans are underway for the 27 th reunion!

Due to a death in my family the auxiliary didn't meet in October for our reorganizational meeting and then since there was no holiday party in Jacksonville in December we will try to have our meeting in January.

On a great note we have sent out 3 scholarship applications! There is plenty of time left to request one

for your high school senior child, grandchild, etc.

A note to sponsors..then be sure to bug, bug, bug so they complete every item on the list and return to the committee by the June 30 deadline.

This is most likely the shortest newsletter I have ever written but with no meetings to report on and this time of year there is not a lot to write.

On behalf of the MTA Auxiliary, my husband Marshall and myself may you have a good few weeks until the next newsletter and to our next adventure!

May God Bless our troops at home and across the world, our Veterans, MIA/POW and all those suffering from PTSD and infirmities..

Until next time...

Mary

## Around The Corps



1st Marine Division Camp Pendleton CA,  
Photo by Sgt. Cristian Bestul  
12.01.2023

U.S. Marine Corps Pfc. Edgar Pizana, left, a motor transport operator with Combat Logistics Battalion 5, Combat Logistics Regiment 1, 1st Marine Logistics Group, assists a role-player at an evacuation control center during a mission rehearsal exercise as part of Exercise Steel Knight 23.2 at Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, California, Dec. 1, 2023. Steel Knight maintains and sharpens I Marine Expeditionary Force as America's expeditionary force in readiness – organized, trained and equipped to respond to any crisis, anytime, anywhere. This exercise will certify the battalion and 5th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, to be forward-postured in Australia as Marine Rotational Force - Darwin, a six-month deployment during which Marines train with Australian allies and facilitate rapid response to crises and contingencies. Pizana is a native of Dallas. (U.S. Marine Corps photo by Sgt. Cristian Bestul)

1st Marine Division Camp Pendleton CA,  
Photo by Cpl. Adeola Adetimehin  
12.05.2023

U.S. Marine Corps Sgt. Isaac Batista, a field artillery cannoneer with Tango Battery, 1st Battalion, 11th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, directs an M142 High Mobility Artillery Rocket System during Exercise Steel Knight 23.2 at Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, California, Dec. 5, 2023. Steel Knight is a three-phase exercise designed to train I Marine Expeditionary Force in the planning, deployment and command and control of a joint force against a peer or near-peer adversary combat force and enhance existing live-fire and maneuver capabilities of the Marine Air-Ground Task Force. Batista is a native of Miami. (U.S. Marine Corps photo by Cpl. Adeola Adetimehin)



Combined Arms Training Center  
Camp Fuji, SHIZUOKA, JAPAN  
Photo by Cpl. Scott Aubuchon  
12.04.2023

U.S. Marines with 2d Battalion, 7th Marine Regiment execute a resupply during Stand-in Force Exercise 24 at Combined Arms Training Center Camp Fuji, Japan, Dec. 4, 2023. SIFEX 24 is a division-level exercise involving all elements of the Marine Air-Ground Task Force focused on strengthening multi-domain awareness, maneuver, and fires across a distributed maritime environment. This exercise serves as a rehearsal for rapidly projecting combat power in defense of allies and partners in the region. 2/7 is forward deployed in the Indo-Pacific under 4th Marine Regiment, 3d Marine Division as part of the Unit Deployment Program. (U.S. Marine Corps photo by Cpl. Scott Aubuchon)

## Around The Corps



Camp Lejeune, North Carolina 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit  
Photo by Lance Cpl. Ryan Ramsammy, 12.12.2023

U.S. Marines with the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU) disembark a Navy landing craft, air cushioned, during Amphibious Squadron, MEU Integration (PMINT) on Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, Dec. 12, 2023. PMINT is the 24th MEU's first opportunity in the pre-deployment training cycle to fully integrate with the Wasp Amphibious Ready Group. During PMINT, the Marines and Sailors are tested across required operational capabilities and projected operating environments through a variety of simulated and live events. (U.S. Marine Corps photo by Lance Cpl. Ryan Ramsammy)



BY LAND AND SEA  
U.S. Marine Corps photo by Cpl. Joseph Helms

JAN 5, 2024

U.S. Navy Landing Craft, Air Cushion 76, attached to Assault Craft Unit 5, prepares to inflate after disembarking 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit personnel and cargo at Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, California, for a simulated amphibious assault, Dec. 18, 2023. The 15th MEU is currently embarked aboard the Boxer Amphibious Ready Group conducting integrated training and routine operations in U.S. 3rd Fleet.

## Around The Corps



2nd Marine Logistics Group  
Camp LeJeune, NC, UNITED STATES  
Photo by Lance Cpl. Alfonso Livrier 11.15.2023

U.S. Marine Corps Lance Cpl. Kevin Alves, a satellite transmissions system operator with Communication Company, Headquarters and Service Battalion, 2nd Marine Logistics Group, leads a mule during a mule packer's course in Burnsville, North Carolina, Nov. 15, 2023. The mule packer's course taught Marines skills enabling them to load and maintain pack animals for military applications in remote and austere environments. (U.S. Marine Corps Photo by Lance Cpl. Alfonso Livrier)



2nd Marine Division  
Camp LeJeune, NC, UNITED STATES  
Photo by Lance Cpl. Eric Dmochowski 12.12.2023

U.S. Marines with 2d Battalion, 10th Marine Regiment, 2d Marine Division execute a HIMARS Rapid Insertion (HIRAIN) at Pope Army Airfield, N.C., Dec. 11, 2023. HIRAIN operations provide lethal and accurate fire to targets all across the globe. (U.S. Marine Corps photo by Lance Cpl. Eric Dmochowski)

## Camp Pendleton, Ca. 1st Marine Division

Story by Lance Cpl. Juan Torres

12.11.2023



U.S. Marines with 5th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, drive an Ultra Light Tactical Vehicle during a mission rehearsal exercise as part of Steel Knight 23.2 at Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, California, Nov. 30, 2023. Steel Knight maintains and sharpens I Marine Expeditionary Force as America's expeditionary force in readiness – organized, trained and equipped to respond to any crisis, anytime, anywhere. This exercise will certify 5th Marines to be forward-postured in Australia as Marine Rotational Force - Darwin, a six-month deployment during which Marines train with Australian allies and facilitate rapid response to crises and contingencies. (U.S. Marine Corps photo by Lance Cpl. Juan Torres)

The work for deploying Marines doesn't start when they first set foot in their destination. The work starts months in advance as they train and rehearse for the possible mission sets they'll encounter while deployed.

As part of Exercise Steel Knight 23.2, elements of 5th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, and Combat Logistics Battalion 5, Combat Logistics Regiment 1, 1st Marine Logistics Group, were certified during a mission rehearsal exercise, Nov. 27 - Dec. 8, for an upcoming deployment to Australia as part of Marine Rotational Force - Darwin.

During the MRX, the Marines were evaluated on their performance accomplishing tasks they are likely to see during their six-month deployment in which Marines train with Australian allies to facilitate rapid responses to crises and contingencies.

"We deployed forward, we established our command post and then we had a series of scenarios that would replicate potential missions that we would face when we deploy to Darwin, Australia, in support of the Indo-Pacific theater," explained Col. Brian Mulvihill, the commanding officer of 5th Marines.

As Steel Knight began, the regimental headquarters, along with CLB-5 and 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines, relocated from Marine

Corps Base Camp Pendleton, California, to Yuma, Arizona. There, they set up a command post and continued to train.

"With Steel Knight being the certification exercise for the MRF-D Marine Air-Ground Task Force, it is replicating potential missions that we would see when we deploy," explained Mulvihill. "Like the reinforcement of an embassy or the conduct of operational logistics."

The Marines of Fox Company, 2nd Bn., 5th Marines, planned and rehearsed in the desert of Marine Corps Air Station Yuma before loading into MV-22B Ospreys assigned to Marine Medium Tiltrotor Squadron (VMM) 164, Marine Aircraft Group 39, 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing, flying to a simulated embassy at the Infantry Immersion Training at Camp Pendleton. The company established security and then reacted to a simulated mass casualty event, providing medical aid to civilian role-players before evacuating them out of the embassy.

The Marines and Sailors with CLB-5 supported Fox Co. with the embassy reinforcement by setting up an evacuation control center to process, screen, evacuate and if necessary, provide medical attention to any noncombatants. The role-players simulated local populace and provided friction points by skipping others in line

and verbally attacking the Marine and Sailors, who had to react calmly and professionally to keep the ECP functioning.

The Marines of Echo Co., 2nd Bn., 5th Marines, were tasked with a simulated airfield seizure. After spending time planning and rehearsing in Yuma, they loaded up onto MV-22B Ospreys and were inserted directly into the area of the airfield they needed to seize. After taking control of the airfield, they held a defensive posture for two days, occasionally taking simulated enemy contact.

When the MRX concluded after two weeks, the Marines and Sailors of every unit involved were that much more prepared to deploy and serve as first responders in any situation that may come up.

"First and foremost, any time a Marine unit deploys we consider ourselves a deterrent force," said Mulvihill. "Whether it is a Marine Expeditionary Unit, whether it is MRF-D, it does not matter. The implication that a Marine combat unit forward is able to respond to aggression against our allies and our interests is a deterrent force."

## Partners, Mentors, and Friends Forever

CAMP CAPE BOJEADOR, PHILIPPINES

3rd Marine Division

Story by 1st Lt. Erin Scudder



Photo By Cpl. Malia Sparks | U.S. Marine Corps Sgt. Dorian Aguilarmontes, right, a motor transportation operator with 3d Littoral Logistics Battalion, 3d Marine Littoral Regiment, 3d Marine Division, and Philippine Marine Corps Master Sgt. Laureta with 4th Marine Brigade, pose for a photo in front of a medium tactical vehicle replacement during KAMANDAG 7 at Camp Cape Bojeador, Philippines, Nov. 10, 2023. KAMANDAG is an annual Philippine Marine Corps and U.S. Marine Corps-led exercise aimed at improving multinational readiness, relationships, and mutual capabilities in the advancement of a Free and Open Indo-Pacific. This year marks the seventh iteration of this exercise and includes participants from Japan, the Republic of Korea, and observers from the United Kingdom. Aguilarmontes is a native of Woodland, Calif. (U.S. Marine Corps photo by Cpl. Malia Sparks)

Sergeant Dorian Aguilarmontes, a motor vehicle operator with 3d Littoral Logistics Battalion, 3d Marine Littoral Regiment, promoted to Sergeant on Nov. 6, 2023, at Camp Cape Bojeador, Philippines during KAMANDAG 7.

It was not just any traditional promotion ceremony. When it came time for the pinning, Aguilarmontes asked Master Sgt. Laureta, with the Philippine Marine Corps Assault Armor Battalion to pin his Sergeant chevrons on him.

“Master Sgt. and I met during Balikatan 23,” said Aguilarmontes. “I was walking back to my berthing site after showering one evening when Master Sgt. and his Marines invited me in for dinner. That was the start of a friendship I will forever treasure. When I found out I was going to promote in the Philippines, I immediately knew I wanted Master Sgt. to pin me.”

During the dinner, Laureta introduced Aguilarmontes to his Marines. They shared combat stories, showed Aguilarmontes how to prepare a chicken, and exchanged training stories.

“Master Sgt. immediately took me under his wing like I was one of his own. He told me that being in the military is challenging. Not every

day is going to be a good day, but if you give everyday your best, it will pay off. You just have to stay strong.”

Master Sgt. Laureta has been in the Philippine Marine Corps for twenty-four years. He loves his job and mentoring his Marines.

“When I was growing up in the military, I went to a leadership class that taught me how to treat my Marines,” said Laureta. “I see Sgt. Aguilarmontes as one of my Marines. I enjoy teaching him how to cook, how to survive in combat, and how to be a good leader.”

“Master Sgt. has taught me the importance of unselfishness and tact,” said Aguilarmontes. “He looks out for his Marines and always puts them first. I will never forget the lessons he has taught me.”

Aguilarmontes is participating in Kamandag 7 at Camp Cape Bojeador. Throughout the exercise, Sgt. Aguilarmontes and his fellow Marines and Sailors are working alongside the Philippine Marine Corps and the Japan Ground Self-Defense Force to build an obstacle course, conduct convoy operations, and subject matter expert exchanges on jungle survival skills.

“We worked with the U.S. Marines during Balikatan 23,” said Laureta.

“I enjoy teaching them and learning from the things they do. We continue to build a relationship and grow close. I really enjoy the integrated training.”

“It has been great learning from Master Sgt. and his Marines,” said Aguilarmontes. “They are experts at operating in jungle environments and I will never forget the skills he has taught me. We are both vehicle operators, and he has taught me how to operate tactical vehicles in terrain that is different from the United States.”

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“I want to do as much as I can before I retire or go to a different unit,” said Laureta. “I look forward to Sgt. Aguilarmontes and his Marines coming back and growing the relationship even further.”

## Always Ready, Always Prepared

12 DEC 2023 | SSgt. Luis A Vega 3rd Marine Littoral Regiment

Photo by Sgt. Jacqueline Parsons

On the evening of May 5, 2023, Williams, a native of Salisbury, NC, was riding his motorcycle with fellow Marines on Highway 3 heading towards Honolulu, HI, when he experienced mechanical issues with his motorcycle that forced him and his group to pull over. While assessing the issue, LCpl. Anahi Anaya, an administration clerk with 3d Marine Littoral Regiment, 3d Marine Division, was struck and critically injured by a passing vehicle that fled the scene.

"I was losing speed. Being on the highway, all I could think about was getting over and making it to the shoulder," Williams said.

Williams was walking over to Anaya's parked motorcycle when he heard the crash behind him.

"As soon as I heard the crash, I felt that gut wrenching feeling. As I turned around, I saw her on the ground a few feet away from my motorcycle," Williams said.

Williams sprinted to Anaya to find her right leg had suffered a compound fracture with significant trauma to her lower right calf. Furthermore, he could see she was losing an excessive amount of blood and was falling in and out of consciousness. He grabbed her by her riding jacket and moved her further from the highway into a safer location. He then removed his sweatshirt and created a makeshift tourniquet around her right thigh in order to stop the bleeding. Following skills that he had learned in combat lifesaving courses, he began to triage for other significant injuries around her head, spine, and other limbs, all while keeping her calm and alert. Once he had addressed all significant injuries, he called emergency services and gave them their location.

"All I could think about was keeping her safe, calm and alert," Williams said. "I didn't want her to think the worst while it was all happening. I then pulled my phone out and called 911 to give them our location."



"All I could think about was what I could do to stay alive," Anaya said. "Thankfully I was conscious and able to reassure Williams and keep him calm as well."

Soon after, a civilian bystander pulled over and came to assist Williams. Anaya alerted Williams that she was still hemorrhaging from her leg and that she had an actual tourniquet in her motorcycle bag.

Williams told the civilian to grab it, but the civilian was unable to locate it. This forced Williams to continue to treat her injuries with what he had on him at the time.

"I am grateful they stopped, helped with traffic, and assisted with the care of Anaya," Williams said. "Their truck was a lot bigger than a motorcycle and passing drivers were more aware that something was going on."

Approximately 15 minutes later, emergency medical services and law enforcement arrived. Anaya, despite her significant loss of blood, was still conscious and able to communicate with paramedics on what exactly happened to her and what actions Williams did to provide immediate care. Meanwhile, Williams provided statements with law enforcement detailing the nature of the hit-and-run that they had just experienced. Anaya was transported to the trauma unit at The Queen's Medical Center in Honolulu that evening.

"While waiting for emergency services it felt like time was going by so fast and slow at the same time," Williams said. "When they arrived, I was relieved they were there and that she would be receiving the proper treatment for her injuries."

Displaying astonishing effort and coolness during the events of the accident, Williams' quick reaction time played a critical role in saving the life of his fellow Marine. Despite the significant trauma Anaya was able to regain full function of her leg and is now back working with 3d MLR.

"She's so strong and still rides, even after the traumatic injury," Williams said. "She's come so far after all the surgeries. I'm amazed every day by her willpower and everything she's overcome."

"I am thankful that he was there. He was my lifeline during the whole event," Anaya said.

"I wouldn't be alive if he wasn't there."

# TAPS

To report a death, notify the USMC MTA Secretary, at [secretary@usmcmmta.org](mailto:secretary@usmcmmta.org) Names will be printed after notification of a member passing. The names will remain on this list until the ringing of the bell, in their honor, at the next Reunion. The Motor Transport Association would like to extend their heartfelt sympathy to the survivors during the time of bereavement for their loved ones.

**Stempowski, Richard**

**CW04**

**(RET)**

**Nov. 22 2023**

Almighty Father, whose command is over all and whose love never fails, make me aware of Thy presence and obedient to Thy will. Keep me true to my best self, guarding me against dishonesty in purpose and deed and helping me to live so that I can face my fellow Marines, my loved ones and Thee without shame or fear. Protect my family. Give me the will to do the work of a Marine and to accept my share of responsibilities with vigor and enthusiasm. Grant me the courage to be proficient in my daily performance. Keep me loyal and faithful to my superiors and to the duties of my country and the Marine Corps have entrusted me to. Make me considerate of those committed to my leadership. Help me to wear my uniform with dignity, and let it remind me daily of the traditions which I must uphold.

If I am inclined to doubt, steady my faith, if I am tempted, make me strong to resist: if I should miss the mark, give me the courage to try again.

Guide me with the light of truth and grant me wisdom by which I may understand the answers to my prayer.

Amen

National Chaplain  
Marshal Jarvis



## Bakeless Bake Sale

A bit of news we have today, a Bakeless Bake Sale is on its way.  
In these busy days who wants to bake, pies, cookies or even a cake?  
You would be surprised if you counted the cost, materials, heat and the  
time you have lost.

Baking for sales is extra work. Yet, nobody really wants to shirk.  
So we have thought of a plan and feel quite sure you will understand.  
In an envelope, please put the price, of a pie or a cake or something nice.  
Without fuss or bother, you have done your part.

We hope you will give with a willing heart.  
This is the end of our little tale, wishing success for our  
Bakeless Bake Sale.

April has been designated as our Bakeless Bake Sale month. This is a  
fundraiser for the Barrie O. Delp Scholarship Fund. In the month of  
April we would like for all who can, to donate a little something. All  
donations are greatly appreciated for the worthy cause.

Thank you.

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If still on Active Duty or Reserves, please show complete military address in section below: Full  
 Name/ Rank/ Unit/ Work Phone

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