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Greetings GOMA community, I hope this newsletter finds everyone safe and getting ready for the cooler weather.

This will be my last newsletter as Chairman, and I would like to take this time to thank everyone for their help and support over the past two years. As we come up on our November GOMA Board elections, I want to thank everyone who has volunteered to fill GOMA Board positions. Your time and commitment to the continued growth and success of our association is greatly appreciated by the other Board Members and myself. Since our last newsletter our association was able to award five \$500 Scholarship Awards to five well deserving applicants. Congratulations to all the awards winners!

Next year we look to continue with increasing the number of applications we receive and expand the number of scholarships we can award. Mike Lewis and I were

also able to attend the annual GOMAG Awards Dinner and take part in awarding the annual Maintenance Awards to this year's winners. This also gave Mike and I the opportunity to reconnect with a lot of old friends and meet some of the new active-duty Ordnance leadership. I want to thank LtCol Cleveland and MGySgt Kennedy for putting on an outstanding event.

Our next monthly meeting will go 12 October. The call-in information is 848-220-3300 Conf. Code 306434. Look forward to having everyone take thirty minutes out of your evening and call in to support your association.

As always, if anyone has any suggestion, thoughts, comments or concerns or has ideas on ways we can improve, please reach out to any the board membership, and let us know. Everyone stay safe, stay motivated and look forward to talking with everyone in the future.

DID YOU KNOW?

That you can pay for or renew your membership by transferring/depositing directly into the NFCU acct? Look for Treasurer@usmcgoms.org under the Association category

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

GySgt Nathan Thompson



A Colorado transplant living in Florida, Gunnery Sergeant Nathan Thompson took the long road to Recruit Training aboard Marine Corps Recruit Depot Paris Island at the age of 27. He completed Recruit Training in December of 2009, later transitioning to Marine Combat Training in January of 2010. He then reported to Aberdeen Proving Grounds, MD where he attended Small Arms Repairer Course graduating at the top of his class, resulting in a meritorious promotion to Lance Corporal.

Lance Corporal Thompson's first assignment was 2nd Tank Battalion, 2nd Marine Division aboard Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune. While assigned to 2nd Tanks, LCpl Thompson was meritoriously promoted and subsequently deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom with Alpha Company. In August of 2012, Cpl Thompson was meritoriously promoted to Sergeant. In December of 2012, Sergeant Thompson executed orders to Pensac-

ola, FL and reported for duty at Marine Aviation Training Support Group 21. While assigned to the Support Group, Sergeant Thompson served in multiple, mission-critical billets, truly embodying the Non-Commissioned Officer ethos.

Sgt Thompson's next assignment led him to the Crossroads of the Marine Corps. He was accepted to the Precision Weapons Repair Course in August of 2014 and graduated a year later with the designation of Precision Weapons Repairman. He then attended Sergeant's Course in September of 2015, graduating as a Distinguished Graduate. Sgt Thompson was then assigned to support the Marine Corps Shooting Team out of Quantico, VA. In October of 2016, he was promoted to Staff Sergeant and attended Career Course in August of 2017. From April of 2018 to June 2021, Staff Sergeant Thompson did a stint at Recruiting Station Atlanta, ultimately serving as a Staff Non-Commissioned Officer In-Charge for a recruiting substation. Upon



successfully completing his tour of recruiting duty, he received orders to 1st Maintenance Battalion aboard Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton.

SSgt Thompson reported for duty to 1st Ordnance Maintenance Company in August of 2021 and almost immediately promoted to his current

rank of Gunnery Sergeant. Since his assignment began, he has served in several "chief" billets, Staff Non-Commissioned Officer In-Charge for two platoons, and, for some periods, Platoon Commander for the Infantry Weapons Repair Platoon.

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Warfighter Focus

MARINES LEVEL UP BY COMPLETING FORT LEE INSTRUCTOR DEVELOPMENT COURSE

Sgt Brandon Bennett



Sgt Brandon Bennett achieved Basic Instructor by completing the Fort Lee Instructor Development Course and Installation Support and Contractor Course. In addition to the training, he attained two favorable evaluations from the Small Arms Repair Course Chief and from the resident Senior Instructor at the time, both averaging a score of 3.0 or higher (3.0495 and 3.2336). He accomplished this by providing 357 hours of instruction as an Assistant Instructor. Basic Instructor certification date was February 11, 2021.

SSgt Bennett achieved Senior Instructor by completing two Personal Development Courses (Effective Team Communication and Basic Grammar and Composition).



In addition to the training, he attained four favorable evaluations from the Small Arms Repair Course Chief, Course Deputy Director, Course Director, and Academics Officer; all averaging a score of 3.5 or higher (3.6512, 4.0233, 3.9126, and 4.1314). After providing 893 hours of instruction as a Basic Instructor, he was evaluated by the Senior Instructor board comprised of four individuals from the academics office averaging a score of 3.5 or higher (4.5202). Senior Instructor certification date was October 6, 2021.

SSgt Bennett achieved Master Instructor by completing two Personal Development Courses (Career School Non-Resident and Introduction to Research). In addition to the training, he attained four favorable evaluations from the Small Arms Repair Course Chief, Course Deputy Director, Course Director, and Academics Officer, all averaging a score of 4.0 or higher (4.7236,

4.9143, 4.8631, and 4.0083). After providing 1,064 hours of instruction as a Senior Instructor, he was evaluated by the Master Instructor board comprised of four individuals from the Fort Lee Academics Office averaging a score of 4.0 or higher (4.02235). Master Instructor certification date was July 21, 2022.

SSgt Bennett has been instrumental in the development of the Expeditionary Logistics and Maintenance Procedures class. The Small Arms Repair Course now has a culminating event where students learn about Expeditionary Advanced Based Operations and how to conduct business in a forward environment.

The students take what they have learned from the classroom and apply the learning objectives in a field environment. He is currently selected for Warrant Officer and will be attending the Warrant Officer Basic Course in January of 2023.

SSgt Fredward Parker

SSgt Parker achieved Basic Instructor by completing the Fort Lee Instructor Development Course and Installation Support and Contractor Course.

In addition to the training, he attained two favorable evaluations from the Small Arms Repair Course Chief and from the resident Senior Instructor at the time, both averaging a score of 3.0 or higher (3.7526 and 3.4509). He accomplished this by providing 112 hours of instruction as an Assistant Instructor. Basic Instructor certification date was August 26, 2021.

SSgt Parker achieved Senior Instructor by completing two Personal Development Courses (Systems Analysis & Design and Trends & Practical Applications in Information Systems). In addition



to the training, he attained four favorable evaluations from the Small Arms Repair Course Chief, Course Deputy Director, Course Director, and Academics Officer; all averaging a score of 3.5 or higher (4.4048,

4.2033, 4.4024, and 3.8481).

After providing 861.5 hours of instruction as a Basic Instructor, he was evaluated by the Senior Instructor board comprised of four individuals from the Academics Office averaging a score of 3.5 or higher (3.8811). Senior Instructor certification date was March 18, 2022.

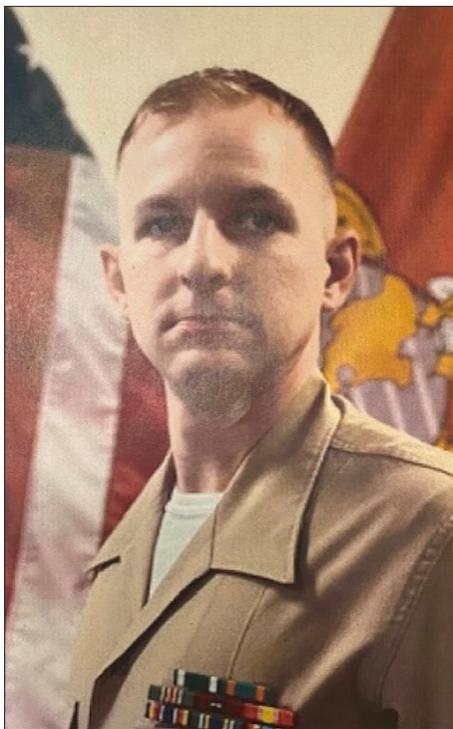
SSgt Parker has been instrumental in the implementation of the exploded view of weapon systems in the classroom.

He has implemented innovative ideas of 3D printing dummy rounds to be used in his explanation of cycle of operations. His devotion to the students learning retention has earned him praise from instructors across the detachment. He is currently selected for Warrant Officer and will be attending the Warrant Officer Basic Course in January of 2023.

SSgt Timothy Hutto

SSgt Hutto achieved Basic Instructor by completing the Fort Lee Instructor Development Course and Installation Support and Contractor Course. In addition to the training, he attained two favorable evaluations from the Small Arms Repair Course Chief and from the resident Senior Instructor at the time, both averaging a score of 3.0 or higher (3.0052 and 4.445). He accomplished this by providing 437 hours of instruction as an Assistant Instructor. Basic Instructor certification date was September 21, 2020.

SSgt Hutto achieved Senior Instructor by completing two Personal Development Courses (Careers School Non-Resident and Introduction to Northeast Asia). In addition to the training, he attained four favorable evaluations from the



Small Arms Repair Course Chief, Course Deputy Director, Course Director, and Academics Officer; all averaging a score of 3.5 or higher (4.0607, 4.6929, 4.6143, and 3.5617).

After providing 1,227 hours of instruction as a Basic Instructor, he was evaluated by the Senior Instructor board comprised of four individuals from the Academics Office averaging a score of 3.5 or higher (3.5349). Senior Instructor certification date was December 3, 2021.

SSgt Hutto has been instrumental in the development of the overall Small Arms Repair Course structure and content. His devotion to the learning and instructing has reached across every MOS at Fort Lee where the formatting of new courses and equipment has been seamlessly initiated. His work as the Detachment Maintenance Chief has improved maintenance practices at every school house aboard Fort Lee. He is currently selected for Warrant Officer and will be attending the Warrant Officer Basic Course in January of 2023.

Warfighter Focus: 3d Ordnance Maintenance Company (MRC-N Experimental) Re-designation Ceremony and Change of Command

On June 24th 2022, Marines from Ordnance Maintenance Company (Materiel Readiness Company-North) conducted a highly motivated re-designation ceremony to become Regional Maintenance Operations Company. Due to the 2030 force design, 3d Marine Logistics Group was tasked with modernizing their forces and making changes to their structure with the intent of becoming 3d Marine Logistics

Sustainment Group. An RMOC, is a more robust maintenance entity which can provide field level maintenance for all TAMCNs across the spectrum along with class IX SECREPs and consumables in support of III MEF. Due to the geographical location of OMC, and the bulk of MEF units being in Camp Hansen, strategically, the RMOC makes the most maintenance operational impact to the MEF.



Retirement of the OMC/MRC-N Guidon

During the ceremony, 1stSgt De Anda can be seen in the picture above retiring the OMC/MRC-N guidon. The ceremony was a traditional and very significant event, for us Ordnance folks it was a bitter sweet experience.

However, as Marines we un-

derstand that we must change, adapt and overcome to be able to posture ourselves in a better stance to overcome our adversaries. Our lives and the lives of our Marines depend on our ability to make bold changes in the way we fight and support our warfighters.



LtCol Martinez receives the Guidon

3d Maintenance Battalion Commanding Officer Lt. Colonel Martinez can be seen in the picture to the left receiving the new RMOC Guidon.

This signifies his acceptance to the change to come and will then pass it on the Company Commander CWO2 Castilla as seen in the pictures below.

The Guidon is then returned to the company formation making the re-assignment official of OMC to RMOC official.

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RMOC Capabilities

***Materiel Control Section:** Monitor maintenance production, maintenance management and operations of the RMOC along with distribution of class IX SECREP and consumables in support of the MEF

Ordnance Repairs Platoon: Field level maintenance for small arms, optics and fire control systems (E TAMCN)

Armament Repairs Platoon: Field level maintenance for Ordnance vehicles and towed weapon systems (E TAMCN)
-Welding and Machining, robust Additive Manufacturing, XFAB, IUDI tag printing capabilities

***Engineer Equipment Repairs Platoon:** Field level maintenance for Engineer utilities and Heavy equipment (B TAMCN)

***Motor transport Maintenance North:** Intermediate repairs for all motor transport vehicles (D TAMCN)
-Medium and heavy transport recovery operation

***Ground Electronics Maintenance North Detachment:** Intermediate repairs on all A TAMCN SECREPS (A TAMCN)
-Induction capabilities for TMDE to ELMACO Calibration laboratory

The ceremony concluded with remarks from LtCol Martinez and CWO2 Castilla. In the picture above we can see the SGX Commanding Officer and Sergeant Major along with the RMOG staff singing the Marines hymn. Soon after the re-designation ceremony, on July 24th 2022, CWO2 Castilla re-

linquished command to Major Billy Quinn.

For the Marines of the RMOG it is business as usual. They continue to maximize their efforts to provide outstanding field level maintenance in support of III MEF. OMC or not, our Ordnance roots will always prevail.



Major Quinn receives the Guidon



Col Smith, SgtMaj Peoples sing the MC Hymn



CWO2 Castilla's final remarks

USMC GOMA 2022 Elections Update

The candidates for the bi-annual elections of Board Members that will be taking place in November 2022 are all confirmed. To date, positions on the ballot of Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary has been identified and confirmed. All are currently running unopposed. Our plan is to email the ballot out to all active members by middle of October and once you receive it, please place your vote right away and submit. Voting will be closed on 9 November and new Officers will be in place for that Month's meeting on the 16th @ 1630 pst. (Meeting will be pushed out on week in November due to our Birthday that month and Thanksgiving.)

We are still accepting Candidates until 9 October! The Election Committee Chairman is Shannon Sweeney (MGySgt Ret). All emails submitting your intent to

serve with position can be sent to her at sweeney.shannon21@gmail.com.

Eligibility for Candidates serving on the board is that they must be a regular member in good standing (Associate and Honorary Members cannot serve on board, only committees) and be willing to serve a 2 year post.

After the elections, the current Chairman stays on the board for another year as the Past Chairman to assist in the transition of the board and the current Treasurer will assist his replacement during the transition of all accounts and matters pertaining to this position.

In addition, turnover folders for Chairman, Vice-Chairman & Treasurer have been established to assist. The Secretary position is currently vacant and needs to be filled right away, but will still be on the Ballot for the November Election.

WELCOME ABOARD TO OUR NEWEST AND RETURNING GOMA MEMBERS!

- Daniel Arseneau (Honorary)
- Daniel Bauer (New Associate Annual Member)
- Joshua Cordova (Renewal Annual Member)
- Shawn Daley (New Life Member)
- John Deering (Switched from Annual to Life Member)
- Austin Deur (Honorary)
- Tony Goodman (New Life Member)
- Benjamin Guttschow (New Annual Member x 2 years)
- Evan Hutton (Honorary)
- Billy Quinn (New Life Member)
- Joshua Ray (New Annual Member)
- Scott Siembab (Renewal Annual Member)
- Marc Smith (Honorary)
- Joshua Webster (Honorary)
- Zachary Wolf (New Life Member)

2022 GOMA Scholarship Award Winners

It is with great pleasure that we send congratulations to the recipients of our 2022-2023 USMC GOMA Scholarship Awards!

All five selected applications outlined the achievements of very impressive young Men and Women whose personal hard work, dedication, and perseverance reflect those key qualities desired in our country's future leaders.



Mark and Morgan Oldroyd



Martin and Mykia Lopez



Doug and Penelope Mayorga



Jim and Christopher Towney



Mike and Alexia Ryan

Active Duty Essay Contest

Prompt: What is my role in increasing both ground ordnance maintenance and operational readiness in my unit?

Eligibility:

- 21XX MOS.
- Active Duty.
- E-1 to E5.

USMC GOMA membership is not required.

Essay Length:

Submissions must not be more than 1000 words.

Guidelines:

- Must be original work.
- Only one submission per Marine allowed.
- Submit essays with a separate cover page, include: Title, Name, Rank, and Current Unit.

Cover page does not count towards word count.

Submission Criteria:

- Deadline: 1 December 2022
- Submit essays as a Word document.
- Submit essays to:

membership@usmcgoma.org

Essays will be evaluated for:

- Content relevance.
- Organization.
- Ideas.

Winner Notification:

Winner will be notified by email no later than 31 December 2022.

Contest Winner Prize:

- \$50.00
- 1yr Honorary Membership
- GOMA Lapel Pin and Challenge Coin
- Essay published in January 2023 Ordnance Bomb.



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Members of the "Been There Done That" Club!

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Spotlight Continued

A Marine Staff Non-Commissioned Officer can be defined in many words, most of which are associated directly with Gunnery Sergeant Thompson. Experienced, dependable, and disciplined are a few words that come to mind when talking about Gunnery Sergeant Thompson. His personality and leadership prowess have made significant impacts to interpersonal relationships and teamwork across all rank groups within the company and the community. He is heavily involved with his Marines by constantly challenging them mentally and physically, producing a high-functioning platoon with increased capabilities. Gunnery Sergeant Thompson is a prime example of leadership by example. He commits the time and

effort in mentoring and training his Marines in order to prepare for the unknown. His efforts have also contributed to the United States Marine Corps Ground Ordnance Maintenance Association by assisting in advocating for the organization and in the set-up and execution of two West Coast-led events.

Gunnery Sergeant Thompson has demonstrated his abilities in many roles throughout his career, solidifying his position in our community.

He will continue serving his Marines, the community, and this association with his utmost effort, producing quality results wherever he goes. I look forward to the opportunity of serving alongside this Marine again.



Scholarship Donations

6/22/22 \$215.00 Cash deposit to Scholarship fund; net proceeds from I MEF Golf Tournament Raffle

7/8/22 \$95.00 Cash Deposit for Donations from Albany Social Event on 7 Jul

8/10/22 \$1,314.00 Transfer from GOMA Organizational Acct to Scholarship acct. Annual 10% Donation

9/20/22 \$100.00 GOMA Member Mark Oldroyd Cash Deposit in NFCU Acct. Thanks to fundraisers and donors, our current Scholarship balance for next year is \$2,868.64!

IN MEMORIAM

GySgt. (Ret) Andrew Arron Vaughn
(MOS 2131) July 7, 1972 – July 12, 2022



GySgt Andrew Arron Vaughn, beloved husband, and father died July 12, 2022, in Albany, Georgia of cancer. Wife (Naomi), Son (Caleb), and Daughter (Natalie) was by his side when he passed.

He was born July 7, 1972, in Lonia, Michigan, the son of Robert and Catherine Vaughn.

He is survived by his wife, Naomi; son, Caleb; and daughter, Natalie; and parents Robert and Catherine Vaughn.

Andy served his country for 22 plus years in the Marine Corps as an Artillery Mechanic as well as gov't employee/contractor out of Albany Georgia supporting the Artillery Community. His Motto; "If I Don't Do It..... No One Else Will"!!!

Andy left us way to soon. When they first found out the doctor gave him less than 6 months, and after the 3rd/4th Chemo appointment they had a follow up and the

doctor then told the family it may be weeks, or days. For all of us that knew GySgt Andrew Vaughn this happened way to quick for someone that had just turned 50 years old, and leaving this sudden. Semper Fi Marine!!

The following was passed on from fellow Marines, and spouses in the passing of GySgt Andy Vaughn.

Thomas Sharpe: GySgt Andy Vaughn and I first met during my first tour with Ordnance Maintenance Company, Second Maintenance Bn. and we hit it off immediately. We had a similar sense of humor, similar upbringing, albeit being from two vastly different geographical area of the United States. We shared the diehard attitude of "Get The Job Done, No Matter What." He was a great Artillery Mechanic and an All-Around Good Guy. He was willing to teach the Young Marines and make them

better so they could go forth and do Great Things. We lived adjacent to one another in the Barracks (FC550) and had more good times hanging out together in our off time. Andy Vaughn was a Good Friend, A Good Man and an Even Better Marine and He Will Be Missed. Semper Fi Brother, I will see you Again in Valhalla.

Brian Lerner: RIP Gunny. Thanks for being a badass, a mentor, and a Hell of a Character.

James Corbett: A Magnificent American. RIP Brother.

Doug Mayorga: Andy, thanks for the Mentorship and a hell of a good time at the Whiskey River. Rest In Peace Brother. Till Valhalla!

Pete Cunliffe: I first met SSgt Andrew Vaughn at 5/10 as a Boot Warrant Officer (WO). Now please understand that I am a "Gun

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GOMA Events: Ordnance Social at Loco's Grill & Pub in Albany Georgia

On July 7th 2022, there was an Ordnance Social in Albany GA at Loco's Grill & Pub on Westover Blvd.

It was a night of fun stories, great food, cold drink, and an opportunity for many to see people they have not seen in quite a while. During the night a State of the GOMA update was provided by Charles Bushnell and two new members joined as well! Nights

like this are always rewarding and no matter where you are, reach out to your Ordnance Brothers and get one set up! You won't be disappointed!

If anyone is going to be in the Albany area on October 20th, we have another event planned for same location at Loco's Grill & Pub, 547 N. Westover Blvd, Albany GA starting at 1730. Come join the fun!!!



Bill Southerland and Greg Frich



Rick Byno, Bill Southerland, Gary Roberts, Lee Harris, Wayne Ryther and Bob Hoffman



Pete Cunliffe and Jeremy Flannery



Cindy Pankievich, Sherri Guzman and Cynthia Sacca-Goodman



Group Picture Left to Right: Maj (Ret) Jeremy Flannery, CW05 (Ret) Wayne Ryther, Capt Joshua Ray, Capt (Ret) Phillip Miller, MGySgt (Ret) Charles Bushnell, Lee Harris, Maj (Ret) Bill Southerland, LtCol (Ret) Greg Frich, LtCol (Ret) Rick Byno, MSgt (Ret) Bob Hoffman, Maj (Ret) Gary Roberts, CW04 (Ret) Tony Goodman, CW03 (Ret) Cynthia Sacca-Goodman, MGySgt (Ret) Russell Pankievich, Cindy Pankievich, Maj Stephen Mankus, Capt (Ret) Sergio Guzman, Sherri Guzman, CW03 (Ret) Pete Cunliffe

2021 GOMA Award Winners

The 2021 GOMA Awards held at the 2022 GOMAG in Camp Pendleton, California in August. Pictured below from left to right: LtCol. Ryan Cleveland, LtCol. (Ret) Jim Towney, LCpl J.C. Armstrong, Sgt. B.W. Guttschow, GySgt. Q.J. Reynolds, CWO2 N. Desimone III, MGySgt (Ret) Mike Lewis, MGySgt Joseph Kennedy.



Vaughn Continued

Guy”, and I was stationed with 5/10 to be a Maintenance Officer with Artillery “King of Battle”! I had no clue on what was required when working with M198’s or M777’s. SSgt Andrew Vaughn ensured I received my training 3-Times a week for 2 hours each day. He was a “Professional” Artillery Mech through and through, but at the same time he had fun with it. My first day of class he got me a pair of overalls..... The only problem was that they were “ORANGE”; from the Brig!!! He was always there for me, and never hesitated to give me

the Advice I needed to make the right call!! You will Always be a “Keeper of the Sword”! RIP my Friend!!!

Sheila Joel Cason-Shoemaker:

The best man/friend ever of 22 years. Prayers for him and his beautiful wife and daughter. My heart is breaking over this. First time I met him in Camp Lejeune my husband was deployed, and both my cars broke down the same day and of course Andy got the keys to both my vehicles to fix them and hand me the keys to his so I could go to work that’s the kind of person he is and he has been my friend ever since, and I love him like a brother!!





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For more information contact by email: scholarship@usmcgoma.org or to the Association Treasurer Charles Bushnell treasurer@usmcgoma.org

If sending by mail, please write in the memo it is for the Scholarship Program.

If you wish to send via PayPal, please use the organizational acct under treasurer@usmcgoma.org but use the send to a friend option instead of good and services.

Please keep an eye out for sponsors and events that can generate funds for next year's scholarships!

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- GOMA Coin
- GOMA Lapel Pin
- Membership Card
- Members only access to the USMCGOMA Website
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Ordnance Key Billets

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LtCol Ryan Cleveland-LPM-2
Ground Equipment Commodity Management Section head (LPM-2)
MGySgt Joe Kennedy 21XX
Occupational Field Manager
Commodity Management Section (LPM-2)

HQMC/ CD&I

Capt Levi Trimble
Capabilities Integration Officer

MARFORPAC:

Maj Michael Bressler/
MGySgt Mainor Carpiobran

MARFORCOM:

Maj Nicky Jones

MARFORRES:

LtCol Christian Galbraith/
MGySgt Sean Dawson

MARFORSOC:

Maj Gilbert Woods/
MSgt Karin Monaco

I MEF:

- Maj Douglas Mayorga/
MGySgt Douglas Wessman
- 1st MarDiv: Maj Nathaniel Crouch /MGySgt Brent Levell
 - 1st MLG: Maj. Enrique Bandt/ MGySgt Juan Mora

II MEF:

- LtCol Michael Lukkes/
MGySgt John Deering III
- 2d MARDIV: Maj Jason Price/ MGySgt Clovis Johnson
 - 2d MLG: Capt Joshua Whitehead/MGySgt Byron Jacobson

III MEF:

- LtCol Mark Oldroyd/
MGySgt Kyle Hall
- 3d MARDIV: Maj Aaron Rancoes/MGySgt Chuck Thompson
 - 3rd MLG: Maj Thomas White/ MGySgt Spencer Thomas

Monthly Meetings

The Board of Directors holds a board meeting (Conference Call) the second Wednesday of each month at 1630 Pacific Coast Time.

We are asking you to join us by calling in to the following numbers:

848-220-3300
Access Code 306434

It is important that we know what you want and desire from the Ground Ordnance Maintenance Association and look forward to hearing your ideas on making this organization grow.

Fair Winds and Following Seas...

We all hope you have enjoyed reading our NINTH quarterly publication, and bringing in the new year!

If you have pictures or articles of interest you would like to see published, please contact any of the board members. This can include promotions of your Marines, events, or awards!

Mission Statement

The purpose of the USMC Ground Ordnance Maintenance Association is to support the Marine Corps by disseminating knowledge of Ground Ordnance Maintenance among Marines, to provide professional development opportunities for Marines, to foster the spirit and preserve the traditions of the Marine Corps to offer special benefits to USMC GOMA members!

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United States Marine Corps Ground Ordnance Maintenance Association

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Keepers of the Sword**

SELF MEMBERSHIP FORM

Membership Levels: There are various membership levels and options which are open to Marines currently serving, or having formerly honorably served, in the active or reserve components of the United States Marine Corps; who have been awarded a ground ordnance maintenance Military Occupational Specialty (MOS) by competent authority in accordance with Marine Corps directives in effect at the time of their service, and have honorably served as a Ground Ordnance Maintenance Marine.

In addition, there are also Associate Member options that open to all members of any USMC MOS, U.S. Military Service, or family members of an active GOMA member.

Lifetime (\$225.00) or Lifetime Associate (\$225.00) Lifetime membership is a one-time cost with no further dues ever needed. Over the years as costs rise, so will dues. This one time designation is currently being offered as a great value.

1 year (\$30.00); 2 years (\$55.00); 3 years (75.00): These options are for both regular and associate members

Recruitment Incentive: Any active member who recruits two new members in any given year will be given a one year gift membership that can be used either for their own annual membership or to be used as a gift membership to another person of their choice. (*Must* meet all membership qualifications).

I certify that I meet Ordnance membership requirements. or I certify that I meet Associate membership requirements.

I am/was U.S. Military: Enlisted Officer **Choose Membership:** Life Annual

For mail in Annual Renewals please check here: add membership number: _____ update information below and include check or money order.

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