# WMA Committed to bring you resources



WMA now has a job board. Please pass it on to your friends and family.

#### Semper Fidelis Marine \*|FNAME|\* \*|LNAME|\*

June is a month of new beginnings and celebrations. Graduations, completing another year of school and anniversaries. And, this month also brings a huge transition for our women Marines – the deactivation of the 4 th Recruit Training Battalion. This is not new news as it has been broadcasted through our social media links for awhile now. It is a necessary transition and one that was to be expected eventually. Now that time is here. WMA was present at the deactivation ceremony on 15 June 2023. This battalion will always be part of our legacy and WMA will continue to preserve its rich history and legacy as long as we are around.

Welcome back to Adrienne Mclarahmore!
Adrienne has been voted in to be our new
Director of Membership. Adrienne is very
familiar with service at the National level as she
served successfully as the WMA National
Treasurer from 2016 – 2018. She received
WMA's National Service Award for confirming
the public charity status of WMA and stopping
WMA from becoming a private foundation
during that tax period. Filing the 990 e-postcards
for all chapters, with none losing their 501 (c) 19,
executed the budget, and seamlessly switched the
publisher and mailing location of 'Nouncements.

The Collection was held under the Women of the Corps Foundation. A non-profit 501(c)(3) dedicated to the preservation and promotion of women's history within Marine Corps history and traditions. Unfortunately, WMA cannot either afford financially or from a volunteer manpower perspective to manage a collection of this size. WMA's Director of Programs, PK Horton, and our History Committee, headed by Jeannine Franz, will be headed to Kerrville, Texas in August 2023 to begin the inventory and distribution of the collection back to their donors (who have

requested they be returned if the WOCC folded); to a variety of museums (such as Museum of the Carolinas in Camp Johnson) and the Parris Island collection. The National Museum of the Marine Corps will also take possession of some items, but not all. The intent is to maintain as many items as possible for use by WMA in the future for conventions and other special events. Photographs and other memorabilia will also be preserved and our Director of Marketing and "Nouncements Editor will ensure they are used appropriately.

It is unfortunate that this collection had to come to this, but if we look at it with a brighter look, it We look forward to Adrienne's continued service as our Director of Membership as WMA continues to grow its ranks and improve our member experience.

And lastly, the Women of the Corps Collection (WOCC) has been legally transitioned back to WMA.

is a new beginning. WMA has some very creative and capable volunteers who will make this into a huge pitcher of lemonade rather a basket of lemons.

Congratulations to all out there for their accomplishments. We are headed in the right direction – which is up by the way, and WMA is going great guns. Have a great summer. Semper Fidelis, Ann

The Legacy of 4th Battalion: A Time For Celebration and Reflection watch the video here <a href="https://www.facebook.com/ParrisIsland/videos/722231089658867">https://www.facebook.com/ParrisIsland/videos/722231089658867</a>

VP Notes Patty Collins wmavp@womenmarines.org

Marines, Happy Summer Marines.

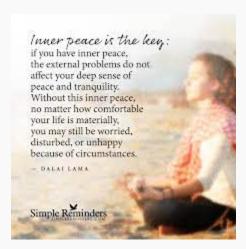
Since it is summer time and we all get a little busy, I will not be hosting a chapter networking until Sept. I am always looking for ideas on networking subjects. If you have something you would like us to discuss please contact me at listening@womenmarines.org.

I will be attending the 4th BN deactivation ceremony on the 15th. I hope to see a lot of you there. I know this is an emotional event for a lot of Marines. I hope we do look at this as moving forward in taking care of the women Marines who now serve. We have all served in different eras and have different training experiences. It is time for us to support this new era of training.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me. wmavp@womenmarines.org.

Have a great summer.

Semper Fidelis, Patty



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## **Our Blogs**

Do you have a story to tell? We would love to know more about our members. Are you a first in your MOS? Are you one of many generations of Marines? Share your boot camp pictures and memories of your time in. Deadlines for 2023 'Nouncements
July 10
October 10
Chapters get your info in. We want to know what you are doing!

Send us your story to pro@womenmarines.org

#### **ISO Saturdays**

Are you looking for that person from boot camp? Someone that you served with? WMA wants to help you get connected. This is what we need: Your name (both married and service name) Name of person you are looking for. Any details you may have such as state they were born in. Dates of boot camp/duty station Most important is a picture(s)





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#### WMA EMERGENCY FUNDS GRANT

WMA has established an Emergency Fund for Veterans who have short-term emergency financial needs, such as skills training, loss of support, severe illness, and catastrophic accidents. It is a one time per person grant, limited to no more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000).

More info can be found at https://www.womenmarines.org/serving-others/

You can also make a donation to this fund at the link on the left. Together, we can make a difference.

WMA AZ-1 Arizona Roadrunner social last week with esteemed guest of honor and Marine Corps trailblazer LtCol Jeanne Botwright among other wonderful Marines from other eras. LtCol Botwright, an □Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame Society member became a Marine in 1954. She's notable for her tireless efforts advocating for various women's & Veteran's issues both in & out of uniform. We're proud she's an □AZ-1 Roadrunner.♥. In Arizona, join us. Give it up for the LtCol □□♥□□□

https://avhof.org/members/membership-directory/jbotwright/

Her Bio:



"Being a Marine isn't about gender; it's about dedication, honor, and courage. We are Marines first and foremost."



This recruit broke her hip and is in recovery.

Please send a card

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## **WMA Member Portal**

The WMA Member Platform provides a place for members to access their membership records. You can add profile information, update your extended profile fields, and pay an open membership invoice if your renewal is upcoming.

There is also a membership directory that includes name, photo, phone, and email fields. Members with official WMA roles will also have their association role listed. On the directory page, you can click the Chapter Directory which will provide a dropdown of Chapters to view the associated member names.

If you have not gotten your password please contact wma@womenmarines.org

When you log in and update your information it is automatically updated in system and rosters.

Please keep your information updated

WMA Member Portal Guide

Sign in here to update your information

# 4th Bn Pictures













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