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TREA Chapter 58 JROTC 2013 Awards

BRIEFLY

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

To All Chapter Members whose birthday is in July, August and September

CHAPTER MEETINGS

Chapter 58 meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at the Seascapes Beach Club on MacDill AFB, FL. (Page 5)

HEPATITIS C SUPPORT GROUP

Looking to start a Support Group for Veterans with Hepatitis C. (Page 4)

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Local and National items of interest dealing with military members. (Page 3)

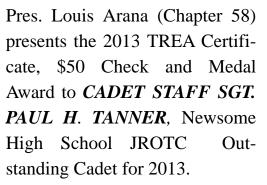
♦ HONOR FLIGHT

Applications for Korea and Vietnam Veterans being accepted for October 2013 flights. (Page 4)



NEWSOME HIGH SCHOOL-

1st VP Leonard Black of TREA Chapter 58 presents to the Outstanding Cadet, C/1SG ELIJAH of EMOND Alonso High School the 2013 TREA Certificate, \$50 check and Medal.





Chapter 58 June Meeting/Picnic

On June 15th, 2013 (12:00 noon) at the MacDill AFB Coons Creek Pavilion, Chapter 58 will hold it's General Membership Meeting and Picnic. Food will be furnished and if you have been waiting for a time to attend one of our meetings, this would be the time. Please email or call by **Jun 10th** if you are going to

attend. Contact Louis Arana: 813-684-5414 or Juanita Anspach: 813-837-5065. email: larana3@verizon.net.

Notes From The Chapter President

This year is going by fast and we've been lucky—thanks to a few dedicated members and their spouses—that Chapter 58 is still alive. Once again, I'm asking chapter members to help us. Come to one of our meetings, or one of our activities. Keep us alive and helping veterans, active duty members and their families.

On a better note, the chapter's sponsorship of local high school Junior ROTC programs went well this year. We want to thank Special Applications Group, a Tampa -base disabled-veteran run small business, for its generous donation. We presented TREA leadership awards and medals—plus a small monetary gift made possible by the SAG donation—to nine cadets in JROTC programs at nine Tampa Bay and Florida schools.

Unfortunately, the Air Force cancelled the MacDill AirFest for 2013. That means the chapter lost its major form of fundraising. But I want to still thank those chapter members who had already volunteered to help, had the event taken place.

Looking ahead, the chapter's general membership meeting and summer picnic is set for June 15. We will host the event—free to chapter members and their guests—at the MacDill's Coons Creek Pavilion. The event starts at noon and we will provide all the food and drinks.

Just a few months down the line—the week of Sept. 23—will be the 2013 TREA National Convention. This year it will be in Colorado Springs, Colo., again. We will be celebrating TREA's 50th anniversary. All TREA members are welcome to attend. And if you want to become a TREA national board member, this is the time to apply. TREA is accepting resumes to fill several national board of director positions.

On a sad note, the chapter lost a long-time friend—Reiko Sharpe, wife of PP Hermon Sharpe—in April. She was a member-at-large of the TREA Auxiliary. We could always count on Reiko to be at all our chapter meetings and functions and at the national convention. We will all miss her, for Reiko was a kind and generous soul.

UNITED WE STAND

<u>Louis A. Arana</u>





Louis Arana, President of TREA Tampa Bay Chapter 58.

TREA Chapter 58 JROTC 2013 Awards (Cont'd)

Schools that TREA Chapter 58 sponsors in their JROTC Award Program are: Citrus High School, outstanding cadet SMSgt Patience Mancini: Robinson HS, outstanding cadet C/PO2 Richard Warner; Leesburg HS, outstanding cadet Capt Tyler J. Recker; Dunnelion HS. outstanding cadet SSgt Joshua Packard; Timber Creek HS, outstanding cadet CMSgt Nathaniel Candelaria and Zephyrhills HS. outstanding cadet Julian Batista.

The Trooper

Walking for the Fallen **A MARINE WITH A MISSION**



Retired Marine Corps Sgt. Chuck Lewis is walking for the fallen. U.S. soldiers, sailors and Marines killed in war or those who returned with physical and mental disabilities are the focus of his cross-country campaign. Lewis is committed

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Vincent Jackson, Tampa Bay Buccaneers wide receiver, speaks with Airmen from the 6th Medical Group during a *MEET AND GREET* at MacDill Air Force Base, Fla. Jackson talked about his personal experiences with his family members, who have served in the military, and thanked the Airmen for their service as well.



Sixteen Airmen from Hurlburt Field, Fla., march along Bayshore Boulevard Tampa Fla., as part of the last leg of a 450-mile journey, Feb. 8, 2013. The march was conducted in an effort to honor five Air Commandos who were killed in 2012.

TEAM MACDILL

Service members at MacDill Air Force Base, Fla. cooperate to spell out Team MacDill, showing what it means to be part of a team. A KC-135 and a C-37 are displayed behind the Airmen, along with other vehicles used to complete the mission at MacDill.



VETERAN'S CORNER

HEPATITIS SUPPORT GROUP

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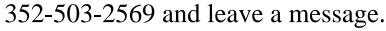
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ART FRYER Please contact: arthurfryer2beking @yahoo.com Or

HONOR FLIGHT ACCEPT-ING APPLICATIONS FOR KOREA AND VIETNAM **VETERANS**

The Florida Honor Flights of West Central Florida to Washington, DC, is now accepting applications for all Korea and Vietnam Veterans. These applications can be found on www.honorflightwcf.org website. Selection will be based on "date of application" submitted. These flights will begin in October 2013.



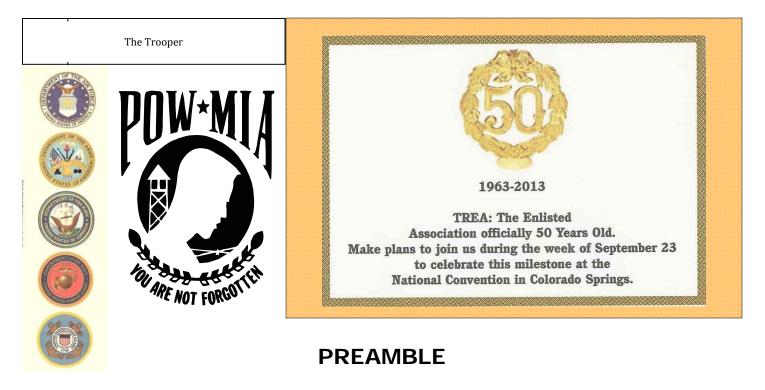




"FINAL FAREWELL"....

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of REIKO LORENE SHARPE, wife of our PastPresident/Chaplain Hermon Sharpe, on April 14, 2013. Reiko was a great asset to our TREA Chapter 58 for many years, working many of our functions such as the MacDill Air Fest and attending meetings and conventions in support of our Chapter. She will be greatly missed.

The Trooper			Page 5		
CHAPTER 58 ANNUAL DUES FORM					
(Mail: TREA, Chapter 58, P.O. Box 6676, MacDill AFB, FL 33608-0676 <u>)</u>					
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ANNUAL NATIONAL TREA RENEWAL DUES FORM:		<u>CH/</u>	APTER 58		
If you need to up - date your National TREA membership, please contact HARRY JOHN-	2013 MEETINGS				
SON, 863 - 655 - 1669, or LOUIS ARANA, 813 - 684 - 5414, if you did not receive a no-	Seascapes Beach Club				
tice.	<u>MacDill AFB, Florida</u>				
MEMBERSHIP: WHO IS ELIGIBLE Regular Members - Any enlisted person retired, active duty, National Guard or Re-	1300 hours				
serves shall be eligible for regular membership. Any Active Duty Enlisted person with 7 or more years retirement creditable service shall enjoy the privileges of regular member- ship, including attending conventions, making motions, and holding office. <u>Veteran Mem-</u>			Jun 15 GMM		
<u>bers</u> - Any honorably discharged person (as noted on a DD214 or NGB-22) may apply for membership. They may attend convention, vote, and make motions. They must be a mem-	Jul 16 I	BOD			
ber in good standing for three years to eligible to run for National office. The term "regular member" encompasses both charter and life members of TREA. <u>Associate Members</u> -	Aug 20	BOD	Sep 17 GMM		
Widows/widowers of members and non-members, who were eligible for membership at the time of their death, are eligible to join TREA: The Enlisted Association as associate mem-	Oct 15	BOD			
bers. Associate members are not eligible for life membership. Associate members shall enjoy the privileges of regular membership, except the right to make motions, vote, or hold office.	Nov 19	BOD	Dec 17 GMM		
INFORMATION FOR OUR MEMBERS: Tampa Bay Chapter 58 has a booklet called					
" Need to Know 101 " Military Wives Your Guide to Being Prepared. This booklet was			130		
prepared by the Society of Military Widows, Tampa Bay Chapter 35. In this booklet is all		1			
the information you will need and can be inserted by you and your spouse before it is					
needed. If you would like a copy, call Juanita Anspach 813-837-5065. Have all the infor- mation you need when you need it.					



We, as retired enlisted personnel of the Armed Forces of the United States of America being ever mindful of the glorious traditions of our military services, our duty to uphold the Constitution of the United States of America, our responsibility to support a strong defense establishment, our interest in the welfare of our fellow service members in fortune or distress and with reverence of God, Country and our departed comrades, unite to further the aims and objectives of The Enlisted Association, TREA.

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