Your September 2020 Update - Stay Safe, Stay Home

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Who we are:
Veteran Marines and Sailors of the Desert Cities, Mitchell Paige Medal of Honor Chapter
1st Marine Division Association

***Our Mission*:**
Contribute to the morale and well being of 7th Regiment Marines and Sailors and their families.

CHAPTER SHIRTS AND COVERS HAVE ARRIVED!

A supply of red, white and blue chapter shirts are now available in all sizes. Chapter covers are also available.Members may contact Hank Monahan at 760 644 0830 to make a purchase.

Uniform Shirts and Covers Price List

Shirts $30 | Covers $15 | Lt Wt Jackets $30
Hvy Wt Jackets $35 | Name Tags $10 | Lapel Pin $7

NO MEETING THIS MONTH

CORONA VIRUS HALTS CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

Unfortunately the Chapter is still under the gun with respect to meetings and its other activities. All we can do is standby to standby until we get the word giving us permission to meet. No scuttlebutt yet on when that might be. Until then, best bet is to stay hunkered down until the all clear.



Marines have executed many improbable missions in their centuries of service to America. They have suppressed riots, rescued hostages held by prison inmates, guarded US Mail from train robbers, and arrested seal poachers in the Arctic.

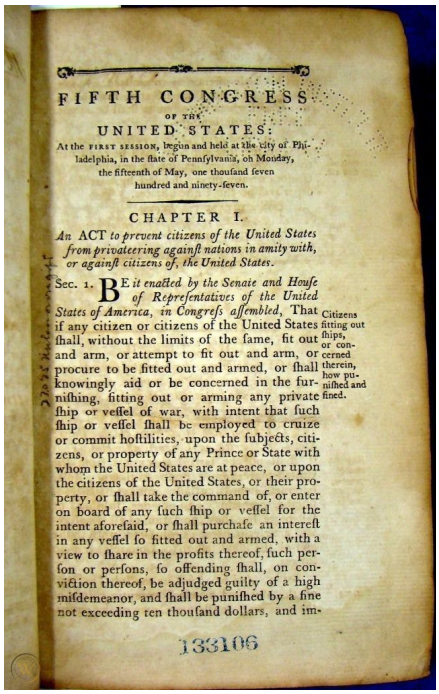
NOTICE:

IN KEEPING WITH THE PRESIDENT'S CORONAVIRUS TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATIONS, GOVERNMENT EDICTS AND COMMON SENSE, ALL DESERT CITIES CHAPTER MEETINGS WILL CONTINUE TO BE SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE...
...AND THE BEAT GOES ON.

Semper Fidelis
Quint Villanueva
Chapter Secretary

MARINE HISTORY & FACTS

Marine Corps History



FIFTH CONGRESS
OF THE
UNITED STATES:
At the FIRST SESSION, begun and held at the city of Philadelphia, in the ſtate of Pennſylvania, on Monday, the fifteenth of May, one thouſand ſeven hundred and ninety-ſeven.

CHAPTER I.

An ACT *to prevent citizens of the United States from privateering againſt nations in amity with, or againſt citizens of, the United States.*

Sec. 1. BE *it enacted by the Senate and Houſe of Repreſentatives of the United States of America, in Congreſs aſſembled*, That if any citizen or citizens of the United States ſhall, without the limits of the ſame, fit out and arm, or attempt to fit out and arm, or procure to be fitted out and armed, or ſhall knowingly aid or be concerned in the furniſhing, fitting out or arming any private ſhip or veſſel of war, with intent that ſuch ſhip or veſſel ſhall be employed to cruize or commit hoſtilities, upon the ſubjects, citizens, or property of any Prince or State with whom the United States are at peace, or upon the citizens of the United States, or their property, or ſhall take the command of, or enter on board of any ſuch ſhip or veſſel for the intent aforeſaid, or ſhall purchaſe an intereſt in any veſſel ſo fitted out and armed, with a view to ſhare in the profits thereof, ſuch perſon or perſons, ſo offending ſhall, on conviction thereof, be adjudged guilty of a high miſdemeanor, and ſhall be puniſhed by a fine not exceeding ten thouſand dollars, and im-

Citizens fitting out ſhips, or concerned therein, how puniſhed and fined.

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When the treaty of Paris finally ended the Revolutionary War in 1783 congress slowly disbanded its Marines until there were none.

It took Congress 15 years to officially establish the United States Navy and Marine Corps (as opposed to the Continental Marines).

On July 11 1798. Congress passed an "Act for Establishing and Organizing a Marine Corps." with an organized strength of 33 officers and 848 "non commissioned officers, musicians and privates.

The Marne Corps was to be a a separate and distinct armed force in addition to the "present military establishment." Further, the Corps would ever thereafter hold the special mission, in addition to service afloat, of conducting "any other duty on shore as the President, at his discretion, shall direct.

Marines in the War of 1812

During the war of 1812, the Corps was composed of 493 men and officers mostly assigned to duty on Fast Frigates.



In December of 1812, the *USS Constitution's* Marines swayed a key naval battle when *Old Ironsides* locked along side the *HMS Java* in mortal combat. Marine sharpshooters aloft, tumbled British officers and petty officers into writhing piles on the decks.

The Marines in the rigging organized themselves into six man teams, five men reloading while the sixth, the best marksman, methodically raked the opposite decks with rapid, well aimed fire.

The Java, shot to pieces, surrendered.



"The Marines really provide only two essential services to our nation: We make Marines; we win battles."
Charles C. Krulak
31st Commandant
USMC

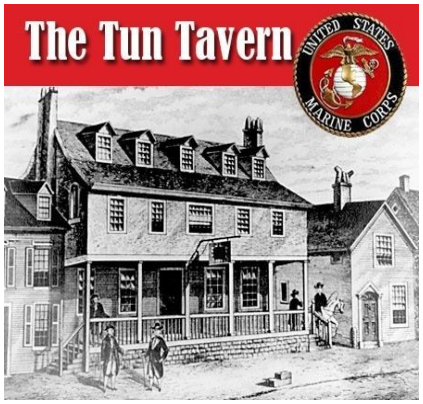
TUN TAVERN CLUB MEETING



Tun Tavern will go dark until further notice. Until then, stay hunkered down and remember to wash your hands.

TUN TAVERN GROUP

The Tun Tavern Club meets several times a year for dinner, fellowship, camaraderie, to swap sea stories and to pig out on food and grog. The few shekels accumulated by the club, if any, are turned over to the Chapter to use at its discretion. There are no club officers or rules or regulations guiding the demeanor of members and guests other than military courtesy extended to each other.
From time to time members may be tasked with sharing their military experiences with the members. Tun Tavern meetings are open to guests both military and civilian.



CURRENT TUN TAVERN MEMBERS

Wes Ahlgren | Michael Bales (in memorium)| Harry Covert| Joe Daily
Dave Dangwillo | Dave Franklin | Charlie Garbarini | BobFerris | Frank Gillette |Charlie Hall
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THANK YOU FROM THE EDITOR

We hope you find this newsletter of benefit. We appreciate your continued membership and support of the chapter. If you are interested in contributing to this newsletter with news or stories, or if interested in helping edit and produce the newsletter please email the editor.

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