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The Ugly Angel Memorial Foundation Newsletter

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This special edition comes to you from the hand of a new, or rather seriously old, editor and publisher. The why unfortunately relates to a serious illness recently contracted by our President and Publisher, Bob Skinder. It's a rare blood disease that requires Bob to undergo periodic chemo treatments that are debilitating to the degree that it has interfered with his duties as President and publisher. Bob, being the responsible Marine that he is, has sensibly requested that the Board of Directors assume his duties for the time being. Henceforth, our distinguished one-eyed Vice President Ben Cascio ably assisted by BOD member Mark (the Shark) Stanton will be leading the squadron.

With admiration for the exceptional job Bob has done since the beginning, I return from a long absence to again pickup the editor and publisher roles, albeit without the same skill in inserting pictures and the like in the newsletter. Bear with me while I relearn.

As one who was present at the creation, I know of no one who has demonstrated greater commitment and who has worked harder than Bob to make the UAMF the outstanding organization it is.

I know I speak for all Angels, past and present, when I express the sincere hope that Bob is granted a speedy and complete recovery.

Overheard in the crapper: "Never share a cockpit
with someone braver than yourself"

This, and future editions will concentrate on the Pop A Smoke reunion and should be on the street by the fifteenth of each month until then. As emphasized in the May edition, we are shooting for a good turnout, at least 121 Angels & loved ones which is our historic reunion average. We're at 100 and still skosh of our goal so please let me know whether you are planning to attend ASAP.

When you make your decision, please e-mail me at YL42@cox.net or call me at 540 370-4389. That goes double for any newsworthy items you may have.

I can use jokes, news about your Ugly buds, rumors, dirt, gossip, and anything else almost fit to print. In short, all the help I can get!

What Happened to the Evening Parade?

If you've been following the Pop A Smoke scene, you know the Sunset Parade at the Marine Barracks 8th & I is off. Rumor has it that HQMC suddenly backed out of an agreement with the retired senior Marine who was coordinating the parade for Pop A Smoke, perhaps because of the huge number of Association members involved would consume seats traditionally set aside for the public, politicians, and other VIPs.

Whatever the real story is, and we may never know, the sudden change threw the Friday night Pop A Smoke reunion schedule into chaos.

In an attempt to salvage the parade, a group of Association insiders were asked to personally request up to six tickets each for Friday evening. The plan was to distribute these tickets to Association members at the Hilton. This effort was apparently so successful, or perhaps so transparent, that the parade website was soon indicating that no tickets were available for Friday night.

This, and presumably some high level negotiations, led HQMC to offer Pop A Smoke all the seats at the rehearsal parade on Friday morning. And that, as of this writing, is how the matter stands.

Since we had previously planned to spend Friday at Quantico touring the Museum and lunching at the Club, the UAMF BOD has elected to stick with the original plan (see below). As the rehearsal will be over by 1030-1100, you may still have time to do both the parade and lunch, provided you have your own wheels.

Overheard in the Ready Room: "Remember, if the enemy
is in range, so are you"

Tentative Ugly Angel & Pop A Smoke Reunion Schedule

Thursday, 14 Aug.

- 0800 - 1700 Pop A Smoke Reunion Registration (by Armed Forces Reunion, Inc.) at the Hilton Hotel
- 1600 - Ugly Angel Hospitality Suite should open at some point during the day
- 1800 - 2100 Pop A Smoke Welcome Aboard Buffet Dinner w Cash Bar

Friday, 15 Aug.

- 0745 - 0800 Depart hotel for Museum via POV & bus (if needed)
- 0900 - 1150 Tour National Museum of the Marine Corps
- 1200 - 1230 Rededicate Ugly Angel Memorial in Semper Fidelis Memorial Park (next to the Museum)
- 1240 Depart Museum via POV & bus
- 1300 - 1500 Squadron Luncheon at The Clubs at Quantico (time may be set back 30 minutes)
- 1500 - 1530 Depart Quantico for DC via POV & bus

Note: We are considering plans for a squadron dinner either in DC or at the Globe & Laurel in Quantico. Interested? See questionnaire on page 7. Expect a decision and firm schedule in the July issue.

Saturday, 16 Aug.

- 0800-1700 You're on your own to tour DC or participate in Pop A Smoke scheduled activities
- 1700-2100 Pop A Smoke Happy Hour & Dinner at the Hilton

Sunday, 17 Aug.

- 0800 Say Sayonara and depart Disneyland East

HMM-362 Flight Schedule
Thursday, 14 August 2008

The following crews are scheduled for a max effort night strike. Report to the Ready Room at 1600 for briefing. The Wing is going into the Au Shau Valley and we're leading. BOHICA!

Charlie Appleton
Dick Bartlett
Doug Blowers
John Bowman
Tom Brownfield
Pete Burt
Gene & Marcia Camp
Ben & Ailene **Cascio**
Bob & Ginny Case
Dan & Joan Dain
Cliff Dewitt
Joe **Donnelly**
Don Ferguson
Archie Flemming
John **Ford**
Larry **Fraser** & Tong
James D Funk
Ron & Anna **Gall**
Jean Gonnevillie
Frank Green
Tom **Hammack**
Tom **Hewes**

Dick Houghton
Dan **Houglum**
Ron **Ice**
David Jones
Ralph **Jones**
Bill Keller & Guests
Jerry Kottcamp
Erick Kuleski & Family
Jack **Lodge**
K D & Raeanne **Logue**
Dave Luhrsen & Family
Frank Matucheski
Bill **McCluskey**
Louisiana Bill & Nita McNair
Texas Bill & Judy McNair
Dick Moser
Romy **Myszka**
Bob & Patsy **Nickens**
Jim & Betsy Paetznick
Mike Purcell
Paul & Carol Putman
Harrison Rainey III

Jim & Jeanette **Richmond**
Hugh Rothweiler
Rob & Shirley Roy
Jerry & Marlene **Scanlan**
B J & Mary **Sigman**
Bob & Janis Sheehan
Bob & Madilyn **Skinder**
Doug Snipes
Willie **Sproule**
Kenny **Thomas** & Shirl
Mark & Sherry Stanton
Lou Stefan
Darrell **Tygart** & Deidre
Denny & Carolyn **Van Liew**
Wally & Becky Waldrath
Wally Waldrige & Lady
Frank Walters
Bill **Waters** & Beth Fisher
Dennis & Kathy **Westin**
Joe Williams
Wimpy Wimpler
Del York & Lady

Names in bold have responded to the questionnaire on page 7

The UAMF in Action

Ever wonder where your contributions to the Ugly Angel Memorial Foundation go? Below are two of the projects the UAMF has initiated and completed. There are also this newsletter, the website, and several smaller projects.



Restored YL 42 at the National Museum of Naval Aviation at NAS Pensacola, August 1998



Ugly Angel Memorial dedicated at MCB Quantico, July 2000

Overhead in the Ops office: "Teamwork is essential - It gives them other people to shoot at"

UAMF Coin Project

If you've ever been embarrassed at your local VFW, Legion, or MCL meeting (read bar) because you couldn't produce a challenge coin for some loud mouthed Dog Face or Squid, your worries are over.

One of our own, Bill McNair, has developed a coin project that will both solve you're social problems (excluding flatulence, bad breath, and body odor), and generate income for the Ugly Angel Memorial Foundation.

The artwork for the two coins will resemble the designs depicted on the form on the following page. The production quality & size will be similar to that of the Pop A Smoke coin distributed at the Fort Worth reunion.

Overheard in the Line Shack: "Never draw fire -
it irritates everyone around you"

Squadron Registration and Luncheon Form

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Ugly Angel Memorial Foundation Reunion Luncheon

Friday, 15 August 2008 1300-1500

This order form is intended to let members order luncheon and one or two coins to be delivered at the luncheon. Larger coin orders should be made using the form on the next page. The luncheon will follow our visit to the new National Museum of the Marine Corps and the rededication of the Ugly Angel Memorial at Semper Fidelis Memorial Park.

Members Name _____ Class of _____

Number of Diners _____ @ \$20.00 each = _____

Number of "A" Coins _____ @ \$5.00/ each = _____

Number of "B" Coins _____ @ \$5.00/ each = _____

} Coin designs depicted on page 5

Total = _____

Make your check or money order payable to Ugly Angel Memorial Foundation or UAMF and mail to: Bill McNair, 6208 Dovenshire Ter., Fort Worth, TX 76112

This form must be received by 1 August or you're SOL



Coin Order Form

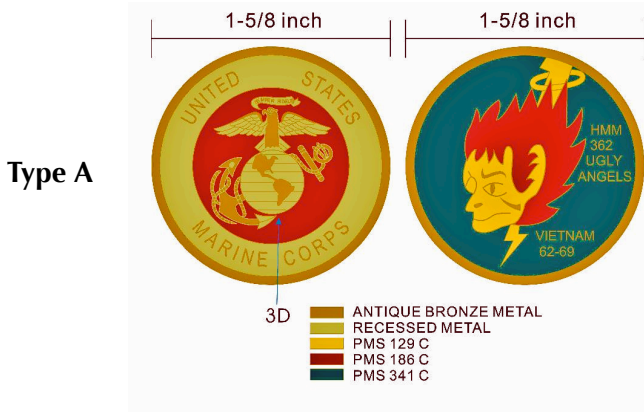
Coins can be ordered for a modest \$5.00 apiece plus shipping from Bill McNair via E-mail at yl3cc@yahoo.com or by snail mail at 6208 Dovenshire Ter., Fort Worth, TX 76112

Please specify how many Type A or B coins you want (order a bunch so we can cover our production costs which must be paid upfront), include a check or money order made out to Bill, and specify delivery mode (either by mail or at the reunion).

Since it will take four to six weeks to produce and deliver the coins, we recommend you order ASAP.

If you need your coins before the reunion, please add the postage shown in the chart below to cover mailing cost: Example: 6 coins @ \$5.00 = \$30.00 + 2.00 postage = \$32.00

Order now and avoid abuse from loud mouthed Doggies and Squids.



Number of Coins "A" _____ @ \$5.00 Each

Number of Coins "B" _____ @ \$5.00 Each

Delivery Method: Mail _____ Reunion _____

Postage \$ _____ (if mail order)

Total Enclosed \$ _____

# Coins	Postage	# Coins	Postage	# Coins	Postage	# Coins	Postage
1	\$0.90	6	\$2.00	11	\$3.00	16	\$3.90
2	\$1.25	7	\$2.25	12	\$3.20	17	\$4.10
3	\$1.50	8	\$2.40	13	\$3.40	18	\$4.25
4	\$1.70	9	\$2.60	14	\$3.50	19	\$4.50
5	\$1.90	10	\$2.75	15	\$3.75	20	\$4.70

HMR(L)/HMM/HMH-362 Bulletin Board

Officer of the Day: Capt. Cascio
Duty NCO: Sgt. Stanton

Attention to Orders:

1. All personnel currently receiving the newsletter are directed to update their current e-mail and/or postal address with Sgt Myszka at romymouse@sbcglobal.net, or mail to 6121 Cholla Drive, Fort Worth, TX 76112, or call 817 930-0202.

Update reports are due no-later-than yesterday.

Admin Notes:

1. All hands are reminded that the reunion is conducted under the auspices of the USMC Combat Helicopter Assn. To attend you must register and pay their agent, Armed Forces Reunion, Inc., by completing and mailing the form you received from Pop A Smoke in the mail. Registrations and payments must be received NLT 15 July 2008.

2. In contrast, the Friday luncheon at Quantico is a squadron sponsored function. To attend complete the form contained on page 4. Send your check or money order to the squadron NCOIC listed on the form.

3. Individuals planning to attend the reunion, but not listed on the flight schedule, contact Cpl. Hewes at YL42@cox.net or call the squadron office at 540 370-4389 ASAP.

4. Coin Order Status Report:

Type A 180

Type B 70

Friday Menu: Buffet Style

Salad w dressings

Chicken or mystery meat

Rice or potato

Vegetable x 2

Rolls & butter

Assorted desserts

Sick Bay: GySgt Skinder, Sgt Cormier, Sgt Tygart, HM2 Roy

Restricted Personnel: Pvt Houglum

Things you learned way too late:
"Suppressive fire - won't"

Sick List

We have just learned that Ugly Angel Calvin Cormier is gravely ill and not in the best of spirits. He could use some encouraging words from his Vietnam buds. Please take the time to send him a card, e-mail, or letter wishing him well. His address is: 11330 Linus Rd., Abbeville, LA 70510 or WTCORM48@aol.com



YL 37 at Dallas Reunion 2004

Who is this Marine?



Attention Angels

As you read on page 1, a temporary change in the responsibilities assigned the UAMF Board of Directors had to be implemented in the middle of our reunion planning.

We are now at the point where we really need your help if you haven't yet answered the e-mail sent to all of you on 6/2/08 asking the below listed questions. The answers are critically important to planning our reunion activities, and we need answers ASAP. So if you haven't already responded, please e-mail your answers, listing your answer by question number, to Tom at YL42@cox.net or call him at 540 370-4389.

1. If you plan to attend the reunion and your name, or the names of your spouse or guest(s), does not appear in the May newsletter, please provide.
2. Are you driving or renting a car while in DC? (We need this info to determine if we need to charter a bus, at a nominal cost per member, on Friday to get folks to the NMMC & luncheon in Quantico)
3. If you are driving, how many empty seats will you have?
4. Are you attending the luncheon at Quantico?

We also considering planning a Friday night dinner, assuming enough of those attending the reunion are interested.

5. If we have such a dinner, do you plan to attend?
6. Would you prefer the dinner be held in DC or Quantico?

Thank you for your prompt response.

Overheard Willie growling: "What are you guys doing to my Marine Corps?"

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Echoes of the Past

The following was excerpted from the first page of the first Ugly Angel Newsletter published in January of 1996.

Of the Angels listed below, four have already joined the thirty-three names on our memorial. So have at least sixteen others that we are aware of. May they all rest in peace!

What better reason to join us in Washington!

Santa Claus came early this year and brought a flight of Angels who report, either directly or through friends, they plan to be in Las Vegas for the reunion. They are Allan Bloomer, Bo Beumer, Bob Feeney, **Ron Fix**, Jim Gordon, Ron Harkless, Bill Kelly, Ed Southworth, Tom Thurber, Carl Wheeler, Bill Wilkison, and our much esteemed former maintenance chief, Willie Sproule. Tom Bong and Vic Speroni will make it, jobs permitting. Willie reports that he has already started on a six foot long, two foot high Ugly Angel banner to hang in the hooch area of the Grand Ballroom.

The Angels who reported in Op Ready in November are Pestkiller 6 - **Dick Cline**, Ben Cascio, Bill Duffy, **Doc Jones**, Dave Moore, Gunny Sachs, Marc Sohm, Al Thomas, Charlie Upshaw, and Jimmy Villarreal. So far, that makes 25 former Angels committed or leaning. Gene Bailey and Russ Hohman checked in to say hello to everyone, and regret they can't make it. Skipper Dick Cline tells me he has a line on Jim Barfield and Chuck Travis so we should be hearing from them shortly. Ditto Gunny Sachs for **Bill Willey**.