



# June 2022 Commandant Report

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# Commandant's Report

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The Tucson Detachment 007 had elections in October 2021. We had some changes to officers. Here are the current officers: Sr Vice is Mike Raymond, Jr Vice is Louis Granillo, Judge Advocate is Stephen Polich, Sgt-at-Arms is Rene Teran, Chaplain is Maxine Lea, and Adjutant/Paymaster is Terry Byron.

The Detachment has come a long way since 2020. We are financially secure and continue to work on fundraising with our newly appointed Fundraising/Event Coordinator, Mariza Trujillo. She took up the torch of the annual Andy Lopez Memorial Golf Tournament, we were able to help a needy family with medical cost assistance, and it provided much-needed funds for the Detachment.

The Clubhouse Bar Manager, Andrea Prouse has been keeping the Clubhouse full of activities. Gloria Granillo is keeping track of the finances and I am proud to say the Clubhouse is firmly in the black. If you know of anyone in the Tucson area that is looking to help, we are looking for bartenders.

We had a great 246<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration at the Clubhouse. We then joined Bulk Fuel for their Birthday Ball at Casino del Sol. It was such a great evening. (see photos)

This December we held our annual Christmas Party for the local neighborhood needy children with toys donated by members and the Clubhouse. Seeing those smiling faces when Santa arrived on the Fire Truck and handed out gifts is so heartwarming. (see photos)

We also adopted a needy family for Christmas dinner. (see photo)

The Color Guard has been busy with funerals throughout the year. We plan on making personal tributes to our fallen on Memorial Day at South Lawn and Holy Hope Cemeteries. Last year when we did that, families that were visiting their fallen Veterans asked us to do rifle salutes for their loved ones. It was very touching and moving to be able to do the tribute for them.

We had some disappointment in February, as the Ira Hayes Parade was cancelled last minute due to Covid cases. We look forward to participating in 2023.

Several members of the Detachment with their guests raised funds with Roadrunner Hockey Tickets. Everyone that attended had a great time and the Detachment made some money. (see photos)

It was an honor to participate in the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Nighthawk-72 Memorial Service honoring the 19 Marines lost on April 8, 2000. The park is looking very nice and it is a reverent space. (see photo)

The Detachment held it's first Flag Retirement Ceremony and received flags from other Veteran Organizations and the community. It was surprising how many flags there were to retire.

As this new year progresses we continue to encourage our members to attend our general meetings and participate in Detachment and Department functions.

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## New Member Initiation



## Color Guard Events



## Appreciation Presentations





## 246<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration at 007 Clubhouse





## 246<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration with Bulk Fuel Tucson Marine Reserves









## Christmas 2021









## Fundraiser for Marine Corps Scholarship Fund by Old Pueblo Marines



## Roadrunner Hockey Game







**Nighthawk-72 Memorial Service**

