



PALMETTO MILITARY
support group

SUMMER NEWSLETTER



Vision: Charleston is the nation's most supportive community of our active military.

Mission: Palmetto Military Support Group bridges the gap between our community and our military service members through volunteering, fundraising and engagement.

THANK YOU TO OUR 2019 CORPORATE SPONSORS



REGISTER FOR UPCOMING EVENTS

Membership Meeting, Tour and Luncheon aboard the USCGC HAMILTON

Please join us for an awesome PMSG Membership Meeting, Tour and Luncheon aboard the USCGC HAMILTON!

June 20, 2019
PMSG Members - Free
Guests - \$10

As required by base policy, we will need each attendee to complete a Visitor's Pass form. Download the form [HERE](#) and submit it to info@palmettomilitarysupportgroup.org as soon as you can.

ALL FORMS MUST BE RETURNED BEFORE JUNE 10, 2019

AGENDA:

10:45 - parked and welcomed by crew members and taken aboard.

11:00 - gathering on deck and welcoming remarks from USCG Captain Mark Gordon

11:15 - PMSG member meeting; recapping past events and looking toward the back half of 2019!

11:45 - Tour of USCGC Hamilton

12:30 - Lunch on the mess deck and networking with crew members.

1:00p - PMSG departure.



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Red Shirt Fridays at the Riverdogs!

For all Fridays at The Joe this year the RiverDogs will wear specialty red uniforms in honor of the military. Fans are encouraged to wear red as well and save a dollar on all their ticket purchase at the gate.



No registration necessary. Tickets available day of game at the stadium.

2019 Red Shirt Friday Dates:

4/12, 4/26, 5/10, 5/17, 6/7, 6/14, 6/28, 7/19, 8/2, 8/23, 8/30

CELEBRATING OUR MEMBERS

Congrats to Mark Bell, PMSG Board Member and

Honorary Commander of the 437th Aerial Port Squad! Mark received the Air Force Public Affairs Alumni Association Presidents Award in appreciation of his many accomplishments and continued dedication to the military community!

Pictured: Lt. Col. Karen Rupp and Mark Bell



Several of our members that have been featured in the monthly *Joint Base Charleston: In the Know* newsletter as Civic Leaders of the Month.



**MICHELLE
KELLY FIFIELD**
The Ad Agency Charleston,
Managing Partner

Meet Your
CIVIC LEADER OF THE MONTH

Michelle has long been a passionate advocate for our military members and our JB Charleston mission as demonstrated by her role as the Board President for the Palmetto Military Support Group. She is also a former Joint Base Charleston Honorary Commander and Advisory Council member. Michelle embodies JB Charleston's dedication to the local community by serving on the Special Olympics of The Low Country Volunteer committee, Communities in Schools Chocolate Affair planning committee, North Charleston Business Expo Planning Committee and the Charleston Leaders Advisory Board. Michelle currently works as the managing partner of The Ad Agency, Charleston and has operated within the marketing and advertising industry for over 30 years, 20 of which has been here in the Low Country.



Cheryl Clark
Holiday Inn Express and
Suites Charleston, General
Manager

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Cheryl Clark is a passionate supporter of the military and the greater Charleston community. She has previously served in the Joint Base Charleston Honorary Commanders Program and is currently acting as an Air Mobility Command Honorary Commander. She was previously awarded the Department of the Air Force Commander's Public Service Award and the Air Force Honorary Chief Master Sergeant Award, one of only three awarded to a civilian in the group's history. In addition to these national and regional awards, she is actively involved in the Palmetto Military Support Group, working both as a board member and as the Events Chair. Her dedication to the military and the Lowcountry has earned Team Charleston's deepest appreciation and recognition as the Civic Leader of the Month.



Dave Echols
Executive VP, General
Manager of Charleston
RiverDogs

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Dave Echols is an avid supporter of the military and the greater Charleston community. He is currently serving in the Palmetto Military Support Group as a board member. Echols was named general manager of the Charleston RiverDogs on March 17, 2004 and under his tenure the RiverDogs have seen consistent growth in the box office. He also helped continue the fundraising efforts of the R.F. Auction "Kindness Beats Blindness" to benefit the MUSC Storm Eye Institute in Charleston. In recognition of his leadership, Echols has twice been named the *General Manager of the Year* by the South Atlantic League in 2011 and 2013. His dedication to the military and the Lowcountry has earned Team Charleston's deepest appreciation and recognition as the Civic Leader of the Month.

RECENT EVENTS RECAP

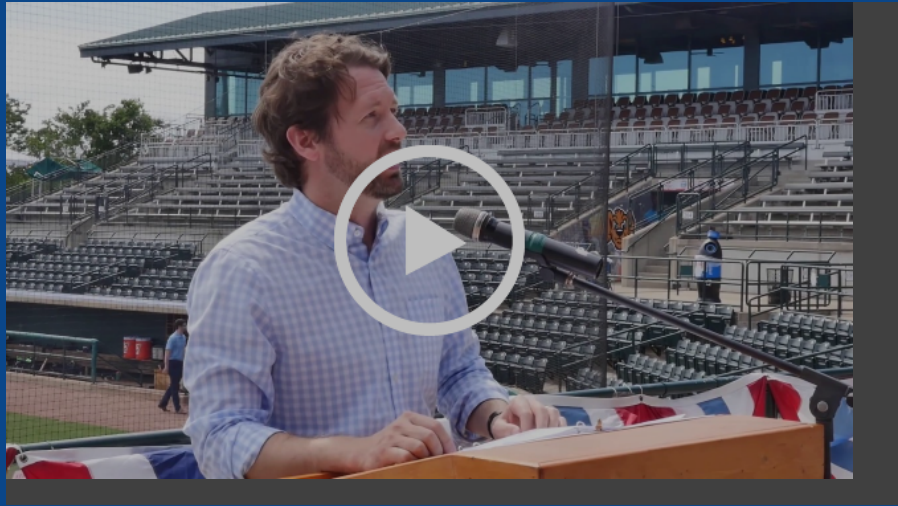
Lowcountry Salutes

Presented by Palmetto Military Support Group & Hosted by the Charleston RiverDogs

This event recognized and honored the Charleston Tri-County high school graduates who commit to the military, service academies or ROTC. We also showed the family members of graduates that our community celebrates their choice to join the military

and supports the family members during this transition.

What better way to kick-off National Military Appreciation Month than highlighting local students who have made the pledge to serve our country. Special thanks to the Charleston RiverDogs and Rep. Joe Cunningham along with all the PMSG Red Shirt volunteers for celebrating our next generation of military!



PMSG Red, White, & Blue Golf Tournament

Thanks to everyone who made the 4th Annual Red White Blue Golf Tournament another HUGE success!

Host Sponsor: Oak Point Golf Course

Corporate Sponsors: Comcast and Google

Lunch Sponsor: The Kickin' Chicken

Beverage Sponsor: Southern Eagle Distributors

Bloody Mary Bar: Nationwide Insurance

Sign sponsor: FastSigns



A special thanks to our members, volunteers and all the wonderful tournament players. You make our mission and vision possible!





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