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Stained Glass Windows Rededication Ceremony

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CAMP PENDLETON, Calif. - Thirty-nine years later, a rededication of two stained glass windows donated by four local Elk lodges took place June 26 at the Replacement Naval Hospital chapel. The windows were relocated to the chapel April 24 from the current Naval Hospital.

Lieutenant Commander Frank Muñoz, chaplain, Naval Hospital Camp Pendleton along with Capt. Kenneth J. Iverson, commanding officer, Naval Hospital Camp Pendleton delivered warm thoughts celebrating the construction taking place and the new addition of the windows.

Tower Glass, a subcontractor with the Replacement Naval Hospital project, carefully removed two 13-foot-6-inch tall stained glass windows from the current chapel to modify and polish and later relocate the windows into the Replacement Naval Hospital chapel.

"I talked to the crew from Tower Glass that worked on the stained glass and they all agreed that it was an honor to work on such a meaningful part of the project," said Dan Stewart, LEED AP BD+C, Clark/McCarthy, A Joint Venture (CMJV) Naval Hospital Camp Pendleton Project. "There are a lot of little pieces that make up this construction project, but the stained glass is definitely one of the special pieces that remind you of the purpose this building will serve. I've seen a lot of careful work go into designing, relocating, modifying, and installing this piece of artwork and I hope it helps brighten the days of the visitors to the Naval Hospital."

The two-rainbow stained glass windows were originally donated and dedicated to all Veterans by four Elks Clubs in the San Diego region in 1974. The clubs were: Elks Clubs Oceanside 1561, Encinitas 2243, Vista 1968, and Escondido 1687.

Many other artifacts that have been donated will be making the trip to the Replacement Naval Hospital.