



CARRY-ON DETACHMENT #1236 JOHNSTON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

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2022 MARINE CORPS LEAGUE NATIONAL MID-WINTER CONFERENCE



A lot of fun and yet a lot of learning at this year's Mid-Winter. From left clockwise: Carry-On Commandant Bob Long with fiancée Debbie Carlyle, MCL National Commandant Johnny Baker with 29th USMC Commandant Al Gray. Recording artist and FMF Corpsman veteran, David Bray, and Carry-On Past Commandant, Devell Durham.



OUR FUTURE

Thursday March 3rd: 1830 hours: Zoom Meeting for the Carry-On Board of Trustees.

Tuesday March 8th: 1900 hours: Monthly Business Meeting. This will be our final nominations and election for the 2022/2023 Detachment Officers.

Friday March 18th-Saturday March 19th: NC Pack Growl / DoNC Spring Business Meeting.

Thursday March 31st-Sunday April 3rd: The Wall That Heals, the travelling $\frac{3}{4}$ replica of the Vietnam War Memorial and Education Center will be at Benson Park in Garner, NC. The Carry-On Detachment will be assisting in overnight security on the night of Thursday March 31st. Please check out www.thewallthathealsgarnernc.org for information about all of the events taking place this weekend.

EAGLE SCOUTS

Feb. 26th Ryan Beall was presented with the Marine Corps League Good Citizenship Award today by Carry-On's Sgt-at-Arms Bill Dunn at the Mount Zion Church in Garner, NC.

Ryan's scouting journey began in May of 2014 when he joined troop 777 in Angier, NC. This was where he was introduced to Troop dynamics and how to work together to complete tasks. Ryan was with Troop 777 until 2017 when Troop 777 combined with Troop 750 in Kipling, NC.

Ryan chartered with Troop 750, in which he had to adapt with new scouts and new leadership. He received most of his scout badges and ranks with Troop 750 and attended several Scout Summer Camps at Camp Durant in Carthage, NC. Ryan was the last scout for Troop 750 as all other scouts had reached Eagle.

Ryan was a dedicated scout even though he had to search for another Troop to finish his trail to eagle. Ryan decided to join Troop 64 in Garner, NC. He attended several Summer Camps at Tuscarora in Four Oaks and was able to finish his youth scouting journey with Troop 64. Ryan also intends to be involved as an adult leader in scouting in the future.

Ryan worked with the Greater Cleveland Athletic Association for his Eagle Scout Project implementing bat boxes for the rehoming of bats in the chimney at the gymnasium. Ryan led the building and installation of the bat boxes near the facilities. Completing the project to receive his Eagle Scout Rank in 2021

Ryan has learned a great deal from being in scouts and will carry these life skills and lessons into his future. He has enlisted in the US Marine Corps and will be headed to MCRD Parris Island, SC in the summer. In the below picture, his recruiter GySgt. Cody Morris also attended today's ceremony.

Ryan is an inspiration to others whether in scouting or everyday life.



Feb 27th: When a young person becomes a BSA Scout there is within them something that we call the spirit of Scouting. Kambron received that spirit as a Tiger Cub at age 6.

Kambron Jawaun Whitaker was presented with the Marine Corps League Good Citizenship Award during his Eagle Scout Court of Honor ceremony today by Past Detachment Commandant Bo Durham at Oakland Presbyterian Church, Cleveland area.

Kambron Whitaker is the son of Alfred and Lacreshia Whitaker. After graduating a semester early from Corinth Holders High School where he was the running back on the Varsity Football team. Kambron attended Methodist University near Fayetteville pursuing a degree in sports medicine. Kambron is currently working as a Passivation Technician with Pure Clean Systems.

Kambron's journey to earning his Eagle Scout took him through 5 different councils in 5 different states starting with Troop 929 in Chesterton Indiana, to Troop 65 in Gonzales Louisiana to Troop 46 in Andalusia Alabama to Troop 125 in Middletown Delaware, and finally joining Troop 33 OPC at age 16 ending in Tuscarora Council NC. Kambron received not one but two BSA Golden Eagle Good Turn coins. Since joining Troop 33, he served twice as a Patrol Leader, troop Historian, and Quartermaster. His eagle project was building a picnic table, two garden boxes for the residents of Smithfield Rescue Mission's Women and Children's home in Clayton. Although, not part of his project when he arrived and presented his completed project items Kambron cleaned up the entire playground area in order to make it more functional.

Kambron says he desire to be a business owner and to give back to younger kids what scouting has given to him and his younger sister a WEBELOS at Pack 422.

OUR PAST

1 March 1950—A report of the House Armed Services Committee on its 1949 investigations recommended inclusion of the Marine Corps commandant in the Joint Chiefs of Staff and rotation of the group's chairmanship. It urged more "cross—education" among the services, more combined training, and assignment of important air warfare roles to the Navy and Marines.

1 March 1961—The 3d Marine Aircraft Wing's VMR—352 became the Marine Corps' first in—flight refueling squadron on receiving its first GV—I Hercules aerial tanker.

5 March 1947—The 7th Marines was disbanded at Camp Pendleton, California upon its return from China, with most of its personnel and equipment being transferred to the 3d Marine Brigade at Pendleton.

March 1973, Tunisia: Marine helicopters from USS *Forrestal* rescued or relocated 729 persons and moved 27 tons of cargo in response to flooding.

March 1994 – With no aircraft yet identified to replace the CH-46 and with possible procurement of the V-22 still years away, the Corps began a modernization effort to ensure that all CH-46s reach the 12,500-hour level, some 4,000 more hours of current flight time. It would require a Dynamic Component Upgrade Program that would replace the aircraft's rotor heads, drive systems, transmissions, and rotor control system over a five-year period.

OUR FALLEN

Tom Barrie. John Bullock. George Gillespie. Robert Moore. Willard Pleasants. Gordon Young. Mark Wayne Williams. Linwood Johnson. George Hartley. Patrick Goodrow. Kenneth Parker.



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THE FEW. THE PROUD.



FROM THE COMMANDANT'S OFFICE



In what will most likely be my next to last letter as your Commandant I want to relay to you some of the things I learned about the state of our beloved Marine Corps League at the National Mid-winter Conference held this weekend in Norfolk. We had some distinguished guests at the conference which made it even more enjoyable and interesting. We had a visit from General Al Gray, the 29th Commandant of the Marine Corps, and Sgt. Major Overstreet, the 12th Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps and is currently heavily involved with Colonel Bill Davis in the Marine Corps League Young Marines Program. This is one of the finest programs we have in the League as it teaches discipline, physical fitness, and teamwork while establishing a drug free lifestyle to the youth that are enrolled. The success of this program cannot be overstated as a tremendously high percentage of those participating become successful in their life choices and quite a few enlist

in the armed forces. Lt.Gen (Ret) Laster is the head of the Marine Toys For Tots campaign and talked at length about the tremendous success and the expansion into the child literacy problem and is now going to be distributing many books to less fortunate kids, and is also going to be setting up disaster support area response sites to provide toys and books to area hit by natural disasters as well as spring and summer distribution activities. The Youth Physical Fitness program is another fine example of how we can impact youth in our own areas by establishing the program in all our local schools. This is another great example of providing another option to our youth that seem to be tied at the thumbs with telephones or video games and tablets. We also had a former Navy Corpsman named David Bray who is a recording artist, but more importantly is a veteran patriot who performed one of his own songs to the membership, along with a moving rendition of Lee Greenwood's, "God Bless the USA". At the banquet he sang one of the best renditions of the National Anthem and at the close led us in all three verses of the Marine Hymn. I can't stress enough the importance of our members getting involved in more of our activities as a Detachment because we can greatly impact our community, the people and most importantly the veterans of our community, county, state, and nation. I have tried to get this point across to the membership in several issues of this newsletter and hope to start seeing the fruits of my labor soon. As always, I am honored to be your Commandant and hopefully can continue to support you in the future. *Semper Fi!*

Bob Long, Commandant

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

I was asked to provide some content for the newsletter this month. So I thought I would let you all know what my duties are as the Carry on Detachment Chaplain. I am the “point man” for providing assistance and support, aid and comfort to the Marine’s and Marine families in need. This means to me that if there is anything that you or your family needs, then please contact me and I will see what we can do and get folks to help support you. Sometimes the assistance may be to get another agency involved. This past year we have helped Marine families financially, repairs of wheelchair ramps, purchase of wheelchair batteries, transportation of members to medical appointments, transportation of pets for appointments, funeral service support and flowers and baskets to sick or shut-ins to name a few things. However, one of the most important things that we do each month is to lift up our Marines’ needs in prayer each business meeting and publish those needs in the minutes of the meeting. As things open up from this and COVID, I am hoping that we can start to visit nursing/assisted living homes, and our own shut-ins to brighten their days. Please feel free to call or email me with need 845-401-3021 johnmott1976@gmail.com

Semper Fi John Mott



MEDAL OF HONOR

PINKERTON ROSS VAUGHN

MARCH 14TH, 1863

Born: 1839 Downingtown, PA Died: 1866

Serving on board the U.S.S. Mississippi during her abandonment and firing in the action with the Port Hudson batteries, 14 March 1863. During the abandonment of the Mississippi which had to be grounded, Sgt. Vaughn rendered invaluable assistance to his commanding officer, remaining with the ship until all the crew had landed and the ship had been fired to prevent its falling into enemy hands. Persistent until the last, and conspicuously cool under the heavy shellfire, Sgt. Vaughn was finally ordered to save himself as he saw fit. No picture available.

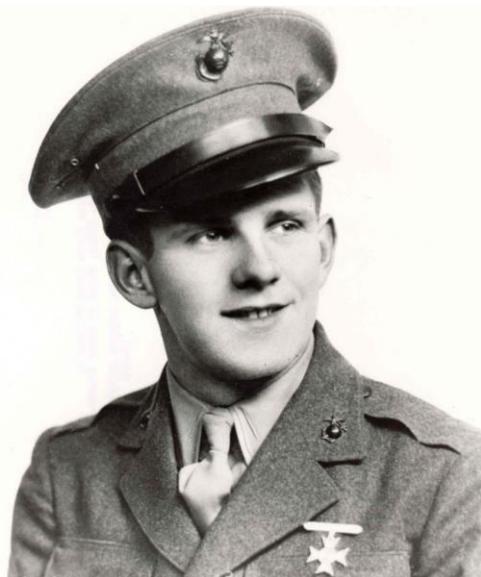


LEWIS FRED PFEIFER

MARCH 31ST, 1901

Born 1876 Egg Harbor City, NJ Died: 1949 Philadelphia, PA

Serving on board the U.S.S. Petrel; for heroism and gallantry, fearlessly exposing his own life to danger for the saving of the others on the occasion of the fire on board that vessel, 31 March 1901. No picture available.



WILLIAM ROBERT CADDY

MARCH 3RD, 1945

Born: Aug 8th, 1925, Quincy, MA

Died: March 3rd, 1945, Iwo Jima

Buried: National Memorial
Cemetery of the Pacific

Honolulu, HI

For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty while serving as a rifleman with Company I, 3d Battalion, 26th Marines, 5th Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces during the seizure of Iwo Jima in the Volcano Islands, 3 March 1945. Consistently aggressive, Pfc. Caddy boldly defied shattering Japanese machine-gun and small-arms fire to move forward with his platoon leader and another Marine during the determined advance of his company through an isolated sector and, gaining the comparative safety of a shell hole, took temporary cover with his comrades. Immediately pinned down by deadly sniper fire from a well-concealed position, he made several unsuccessful attempts to again move forward and then, joined by his platoon leader, engaged the enemy in a fierce exchange of hand grenades until a Japanese grenade fell beyond reach in the shell hole. Fearlessly disregarding all personal danger, Pfc. Caddy instantly dived on the deadly missile, absorbing the exploding charge in his own body and protecting the others from serious injury. Stouthearted and indomitable, he unhesitatingly yielded his own life that his fellow Marines might carry on the relentless battle against a fanatic enemy. His dauntless courage and valiant spirit of self-sacrifice in the face of certain death reflect the highest credit upon Pfc. Caddy and upon the U.S. Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his comrades.

**PRESENTATION DATE & DETAILS: SEPTEMBER 8, 1946
MONTCLAIR SCHOOL LAWN, MONTCLAIR, MASSACHUSETTS,
PRESENTED BY REAR ADM. MORTON L. DEYO, COMMANDANT
OF THE 1ST NAVAL DISTRICT, TO HIS FAMILY**

MURPHY'S LAWS OF COMBAT OPERATIONS

91. THE COMBAT WORTH OF A UNIT IS INVERSELY PROPORTIONAL TO THE SMARTNESS OF ITS OUTFIT AND APPEARANCE.
92. THE CRUCIAL ROUND IS A DUD.
93. EVERY COMMAND WHICH CAN BE MISUNDERSTOOD, WILL BE.
94. THERE IS NO SUCH PLACE AS A CONVENIENT FOXHOLE.
95. DON'T EVER BE THE FIRST. DON'T EVER BE THE LAST. AND DON'T EVER VOLUNTEER TO DO ANYTHING.
96. IF YOUR POSITIONS ARE FIRMLY SET AND YOU ARE PREPARED TO TAKE THE ENEMY ASSAULT ON, HE WILL PASS YOU.
97. IF YOUR AMBUSH IS PROPERLY SET, THE ENEMY WON'T WALK INTO IT.
98. IF YOUR FLANK MARCH IS GOING WELL, THE ENEMY EXPECTS YOU TO OUTFLANK HIM.
99. DENSITY OF FIRE INCREASES PROPORTIONALLY TO THE CURIOSNESS OF THE TARGET.
100. ODD OBJECTS ATTRACT FIRE. NEVER LURK BEHIND ONE.

MORE TO COME...



Carry-On Marines James Lee and Steven Narron became Pups in the Military Order of the Devil Dogs at the February 12th Growl of the Jesse O Price Pound #210 hosted by the Tarheel Detachment at the VFW in Cary, NC. Forty-six Dogs attended and donations of almost 1000 pounds of dog food were collected for the local shelters.





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 Let us help our building host,
 American Legion Pou-Parrish
 Post 332, with collecting
 pop/beer tabs for the
 Durham/Wake Ronald
 McDonald house!

