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Merry Christmas to One and All



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Tom Gibbs, the oldest member in attendance, is shown receiving the first piece of birthday cake from Sr. Vice Comm. Hayes



Judy Brenner with Brad Jones of WGHP-TV receiving the Dept. of Defense Medal of Honor in recognition of her and her late husband Rich Brenner's sacrifices during the Vietnam War. Rich was a United States Marine. Thank you, Judy.



XL paying his way to a piece of birthday cake. Looking sharp in that jacket.



Commandant's Office Hours

Rich Carrera

Marines, FMF Corpsmen, Associates and Friends :

The results of our collective efforts are now “in the books” regarding fund raising and outreach activities. We have signed up some new members and have had unbelievable success raising money.

The **Belk** endeavor was so beyond our expectations, and we have **Sharon** (and her family) to thank. Her Gold Medal contribution is acknowledged herewith and we truly appreciate the work she contributed.

Our **Hope for the Warriors Golf Tournament** was likewise successful and for that we thank **Gary Beaver** and **Jim Hayes**. As a result of this event, our contribution to Hope for the Warriors this year looks to be more than last year.

We are all looking forward to the upcoming Christmas Party, and I am certain **Becky** has a great event ready to go. Marines, when we grab the rope and pull with our comrades, it is absolutely remarkable what we accomplish. I hope this very practical lesson is not going unnoticed.

Thanks to all of you who caused this to be such a great year for the Fighting 260.

Happy Thanksgiving.

Semper Fidelis, Rich Carrera



Chaplain's Corner

Chaplain Winston Shearin

With a great deal of thankfulness, (and full bellies) we enter the mid-winter season of celebration and festivities. For many people, religious holidays play a part of this time of year. Christian Advent begins on December third. It is the season of preparation before Christmas in which Christians turn their attention to remembering and celebrating the gift of the Christ child. Advent marks the beginning of the Christian year and Christmastide rolls right into the calendar New Year. Jewish faithful celebrate Chanukah on December 12 through December 20, and in this celebration the faithful commemorate God's provision of light in a dark time. Buddhist friends celebrate Bodhi day in December, which is a commemoration of enlightenment, and many other friends celebrate various traditions. While many of us will rarely encounter a friend or family from a tradition different than our own, it is good to remember that there are many different folks celebrating in many different ways. Marines understand this kind of diversity. We take men and women from all over our land and mold them into faithful servants of our country. In this Holy season, let us, Marines, celebrate the beauty of faithfulness as we share joy with all of our fellow citizens. Wishing you and yours a blessed holiday season and a joyful New Year! God bless you.

Veterans Day 2017 at the Carolina Field of Honor



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Wreaths Across America

Ceremony at Forest Lawn Cemetery

Saturday, December 16 @ 11:00 a.m.

We have been asked to help again with the parking at Forest Lawn Drive and Pisgah Church Road. We need to arrive at 9:30 a.m. to assist people coming for the ceremony. Take a few hours and give the detachment a hand with this ceremony of remembering those who died in the service of their country. When you enter from Pisgah Church Rd., parking for us is across from the Community Center and behind Pisgah United Methodist Church.

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Marine Corps Birthday Cake

A shout out to Charley and Laurie Smith for the great birthday cake we shared at our November meeting. The cake was in honor of our great U. S. Marine Corps and in celebration of the 242nd Birthday of the Corps.

Thanks for making the cake for us. Semper Fidelis
 Need a cake for a special occasion, call Charley.



MCL 260 Camaraderie Night last Wednesday of Every Month
Bring a Friend or Fellow Marine
Food and Beverage Specials
Military Discount for Families
Sports Bar available for Special Events



Toys for Tots
Friday, December 8
Ward Black Law Firm
W. Wendover Ave.



Miss Rachel Wall



Representative Mark Walker

Veterans Day at Friendly Shopping Center





Staff Sgt. Dustin McCormick



Our Host for Each Flag Raising Clyde Dungee



Sr. Vice Commandant Jim Hayes



Sir Robert Bell a New Zelandar Joining Us on Veterans Day



Some of the Cold Weather Folks Celebrating the Day



Detachment 260 Members Standing at Attention



Greensboro Fire Dept. Station 49 Members Giving Us a Hand

December 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7	8 *	9 *
10	11	12	13	14	15	16 *
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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Important Dates in December

December 8 - Toys for Tots - Ward Black Law 9:00-4:00 Receive gifts from the community. Bring a gift and get rewards for doing so.

December 9 - Detachment Christmas Dinner Party at the Knights of Columbus Hall. \$20 per person. Prime Rib and Salmon are on the menu. DJ for dancing. Bring a gift and play naughty Santa. Fun and fellowship for all. Call Becky Tyree to make your reservation. Telephone: 336-644-2026

December 16 - Wreaths Across America at Forest Lawn Cemetery. Ceremony begins at 11:00 a.m. You are encouraged to help lay wreaths at the graves of our Guilford County servicemen and women. Steve Nash of the 260 is the featured speaker this year. Steve was with Seal Team 1.

Toys for Tots gifts will be accepted at the Christmas Party.

Everyone is encouraged to help with Toys for Tots at **Ward Black Law** on W. Wendover Ave. on Friday, December 8. Wear your scarlets, or at least a cover. We will be collecting toys with the local reserve company. There will be entertainment and lots of food. **Put it on your calendar to help.**

November 13th Meeting



**CHRISTMAS
PARTY!**



For a Cracking Good Time take your date to the Annual Detachment 260 Christmas Party. Don't be a Grinch and it'll be a cinch to be a fun evening for you and yours. How can you beat fellowship with your brothers and sisters in arms? Bring an unwrapped gift for the Toys for Tots campaign. By doing so, you'll ensure that children will have a gift under their tree this year.

Southeast Guilford High School Jr. Naval ROTC Unit



FORMAL INSPECTION







Minutes of the November 13th Meeting



Jack Masarie
Adjutant

There were 56 members and guests in attendance. The guests were Bill McCarver, Julio Aquilera, Ann Zuhr, Ken Zuhr, Brad Jones, Kathy White and Jim Nelson. Ann Zuhr, member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and a surviving Vietnam Veteran spouse, presented Judy Brenner with a pin and certificate in honor of her late husband Rich Brenner for his "valor, service and sacrifice." Honorary member Brad Jones assisted with the presentation.

At the recent quarterly meeting of the Department of North Carolina at Ocean Isle Beach, Commandant Rich Carrera was presented with another ribbon to hang on our flag. It was for the 260's 185.25% increase in membership this past year. The detachment also received a thank you letter for our recognition of Gold Awards for Girl Scouts. Commandant Carrera also recognized the reapplication for membership of Stelana Hayden, the attendance of Major General Lloyd Wilkerson and honorary member Brad Jones. Sr. Vice Commandant Jim Hayes swore in new associate member KBin. She is the wife of Steve Nash.

Junior Vice Commandant, Sharon Reddick reported the results of the Belk Charity Days fund raiser. We raised over \$17,000 for the detachment. The detachment also delivered two wheel chairs to Belk for use by customers in the store. Each recognizes our contribution to the store.

Judge Advocate, Harold Turner, told us that John Tedder was home from the hospital. He had a bout with pneumonia. Roger Stockton is in the hospital after taking a fall into a fence. He hopes to be home in a day or two.

Chaplain Winston Shearin, asked us to keep Spike Felty and the family of Steve Winsett in our prayers. Steve's daughter, Christine O'Neal, died of complications of cancer.

George Orfanedes requested the formation of a committee of six to eight people to make recommendations for the allocations of funds to support veterans.

Harry Thetford, historian, is going to prepare an email about the history of the detachment.

A motion was made and passed to appropriate \$1200 for the JROTC unit at High Point Central High School for their marksmanship team. The money would go for spotting scopes and t-shirts.

Rebecca Tyree asked people to sign up for the Holiday Party to be held on December 9, at the Knights Hall. Cost is \$20 per person and includes a sit down dinner and a DJ for dancing.

Wreaths Across America is Saturday, December 16, at 11 a.m. at Forest Lawn Cemetery. We are asked to be there at 9:30 to help with parking. Our own Steve Nash is the featured speaker.

The Southeast High School Navy JROTC is having an Inspection and Review on Wednesday, November 15 and all are invited to attend.

The K of C is buying a defibrillator for the Hall and is offering a \$10 workshop on how to use it and do CPR. The Workshop is on Saturday, November 18, from 1-3 p.m.