

CARRY-ON DETACHMENT #1236

JOHNSTON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

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2021 DoNC MCL Fall Business Meeting





Gold Leaf Commandant James Crandall joined Bob, Bill and Bull at the Ryder Course on Fort Bragg for a round of golf prior to the evening NC Pack Growl.



Carry-On Marines Commandant Bob Long, Sgt at Arms Bill Dunn, Lewis Rice, Devell Durham and John Mott attended the 2021 DoNC MCL Fall Business Meeting and M.O.D.D. Growl in Fayetteville, NC. These weekend events are always informative while also being a time to catch up with the happenings of fellow Marines and their Detachments.





The statue of IRON MIKE is in the center of a traffic circle located in front of the post headquarters and just off the 10th green of the Ryder Golf Course. It is dedicated to the soldiers of the 82nd Airborne Division and the XVIII Airborne Corps. It is a likeness of a WWII era Airborne trooper and dedicated to all paratroopers: past, present and future.

FROM THE COMMANDANT'S OFFICE



This past Friday, the 24th of September, I had the pleasure of attending the graduation of my great- nephew whose father retired as a Master Gunnery Sergeant with 30 years of service. Interestingly enough, it was the first time in my life aboard Parris Island Recruit Depot. Although I am from Ohio, I had the option of going to San Diego for recruit training and since I was going in January of 1972, it really was not much of a hard decision to make. We watched the ceremony from the stands and after the recruits were dismissed, I walked a bee line to Logan and when he saw me he snapped to attention, saluted me, then I returned his salute, hugged him and probably shed a tear or two, and told him how proud I was of him. We were then able to have a get together in the parking lot by the grinder and swapped some lies and stories. During my 27-year career I always sought to attend or participate in any type of ceremony, parade, or attending silent drill team or Blue Angel demonstrations. I always considered those events as allowing me to kind of recharge my internal batteries so to speak as a motivation to keep the fire burning to excel to be a better Marine. Marine Corps Birthday Balls were a big part of that as well. Whether being a participant in the historical ceremony, or just being in attendance was such a tremendous charge for me. The weight that we as Marines have always put on history, customs and courtesies is a huge part in what separates us from the other services. These things were always drilled

into us from boot camp and beyond, and it is no small part in the forming of our basic foundation as Marines that has carried us to victories over and over again in our own history. Since our last meeting where I discussed the Marine Corps Birthday Ball being hosted by the Shawn Knisley Detachment in Fayetteville on the 6th of November, it has come to my attention that the RDU Detachment is also hosting a Marine Corps ball on the 6th of November in the Raleigh/Durham area. More info to come on that one. The tickets for the Fayetteville ball are on sale now for \$40. each and there is also more info to come on that one as well. I would encourage anyone who is the least bit interested in attending either ball to attend and get those internal batteries charged again. If the Fayetteville ball is run anything like the recent membership meeting or growl, we will be in for a great time. I hope to see some of you there. As always, it is a pleasure to serve as your Commandant and I am honored to have been elected to that position.

SEMPER FI! Respectfully submitted Commandant Robert E. Long



OUR PAST

- **5 October 1917** The 6th Marines begins arriving as the regiment's 1st Battalion debarks at St. Nazaire. The regimental headquarters arrives on 1 November and the 3d and 2d Battalions arrive on 12 November 1917 and 5 February 1918, respectively. Initially, all units except the 2d Battalion, which went directly to the Brigade, pull guard duty at French ports.
- **10 October** The first unit-sized activation of reservists came when Marines from Combat Service Support Detachment 40 reported to Marine Corps Air Station, Kaneohe, Hawaii. The mission of the unit was to maintain and refurbish equipment left behind by I Marine Expeditionary Force as it deployed to Saudi Arabia to marry up with its pre-positioned equipment aboard Maritime Prepositioning Ship 3
- **18 October 2001** The pilots of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 251 became the first Marines known to be engaged in combat in Afghanistan, supporting Operation Enduring Freedom. The Marines, piloting Hornets, took off from the deck of the aircraft carrier Theodore Roosevelt, and flew several bombing missions, including the destruction of a bridge in northern Afghanistan. The Theodore Roosevelt, carrying approximately 195 Marines, was leading one of the four Navy battle groups in the region.
- **23 October** Beirut, Lebanon. Suicide truck loaded with equivalent of 12,000 pounds of explosives destroys headquarters building of BLT 1/8 at BIA. Almost simultaneous suicide attack destroys building occupied by French paratroopers. U.S. casualties: 241 KIA; 70 WIA. French casualties: 58 KIA. Marine replacement airlifts, via 13 C-141 aircraft, begin the same day.
- **28 October 1943** 2d Parachute Battalion landed on Choiseul Island in a diversionary raid prior to the Bougainville operation.

OUR FUTURE

FRIDAY OCT. 1⁵⁷ BEGINS TOYS FOR TOTS CAMPAIGN
FRIDAY OCT. 8⁷⁸ GOLD LEAF DET. GOLF TOURNAMENT
SATURDAY OCT 9⁷⁸ MODD POUND 210 GROWL
TUESDAY, OCT. 12TH, 1900 HOURS CARRY-ON BUSINESS MEETING

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



Carry-On Marine Devell Durham participated in the Young Marines R. Lee Ermey Memorial Golf Tournament at the Medal of Honor Golf Course on board Marine Base Quantico, VA. And he had some OUTSTANDING company. All Sergeants Major of the Marine Corps!

L to R: 14th SMMC Alford L. McMichael

15th SMMC John L. Estrada

Sgt Maj. (ret) Devell "Bull" Durham

13th SMMC Lewis G. Lee

16th SMMC Carlton W. Kent

19th (current) SMMC Troy E. Black







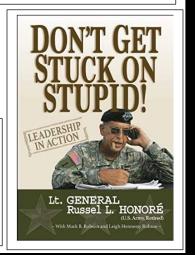




Carry-On Marine Leotha Forte made a trip to Baton Rouge, La to help in the recovery effort after hurricane Ida. He is a chaplain with Spiritual Care which is a division of the American Red Cross. Please visit redcross.org if you like to see how you can help with relief efforts.

In the center of the above picture with Leotha is Lt. Gen (ret) Russel L. Honore. Here is his book information.

"A brilliant, powerful book from one of the most respected retired military leaders of our time, General Russel Honore. Recognized as a national hero after spearheading the post-Hurricane Katrina search-and-rescue mission in New Orleans in 2005, Honore offers effective solutions to some of the most pressing problems of our time. These include hurricane preparedness, healthcare, and gun control, as well as the less-well-known issues of widespread infrastructure failure and the need to intervene in the infamous cradle-to-prison pipeline. His basic message: It's time to try new ways to solve our problems. Let's not continue to make the same mistakes with public policy and practice in our country... let's not stay stuck on stupid!"



CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR



DANIEL J. DALY

Gunnery Sergeant Daniel Joseph Daly Born: Glen Cove, NY, November 11th, 1873.

Serving with the 15th Company (Mounted), 2nd Regiment, 1st Brigade, 2nd Regiment

Citation reads as follows: Second Award: Serving with the 15th Company of Marines on 22 October 1915, GSgt. Daly was one of the company to leave Fort Liberte, Haiti, for a six-day reconnaissance. After dark on the evening of 24 October, while crossing the river in a deep ravine, the detachment was suddenly fired upon from three sides by about 400 Cacos concealed in bushes about 100 yards from the fort. The marine detachment fought its way forward to a good position, which it maintained during the night, although subjected to a continuous fire from the Cacos. At daybreak the marines, in three squads, advanced in three different directions, surprising and scattering the Cacos in all directions. GSgt. Daly fought with exceptional gallantry against heavy odds throughout this action.

MURPHY'S LAWS OF COMBAT OPERATIONS

- 61. Never stand when you can sit. Never sit when you can lie down. Never stay awake when you can sleep.
- 62. THE MOST DANGEROUS THING IN THE WORLD IS A 2^{ND} LT WITH A MAP AND A COMPASS.
- 63. Exceptions prove the rule and destroy the battle plan.
- 64. Everything always works in your HQ. Everything always fails in the Colonel's HQ.
- 65. THE ENEMY NEVER WATCHES UNTIL YOU MAKE A MISTAKE.
- 66. One enemy soldier is never enough, but two is entirely too many.
- 67. A CLEAN AND DRY SET OF BDU'S IS A MAGNET FOR MUD AND RAIN.
- 68. THE WORSE THE WEATHER, THE MORE YOU ARE REQUIRED TO BE OUT IN IT.
- 69. Whenever you have plenty of ammo, you never miss. Whenever you are low on ammo, you can't hit the broad side of a barn.
- 70. THE MORE A WEAPON COSTS, THE FARTHER YOU WILL HAVE TO SEND IT AWAY TO BE REPAIRED.

MORE TO COME.....



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Let us help our building host,
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pop/beer tabs for the
Durham/Wake Ronald
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