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## The Grind



*"Leadership is not about being in charge, it is about taking care of those in your Charge."*

*Simon Sinek*



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### New Officers Elected for 2017-18



Commandant: Rich Carrera



Jim Hayes  
Sr. Vice Commandant



Sharon Reddick  
Jr. Vice Commandant



Harold Turner  
Judge Advocate

We are pleased to announce the election of the 260's officers for fiscal year 2017-18. Heading the leadership team is Rich Carrera as commandant, Jim Hayes as senior vice commandant, Sharon Reddick as junior vice commandant and returning judge advocate, Harold Turner. As there were no challenges to any of the nominated positions, a vote was cast to elect them unanimously. Wesley Fortman, elected as vice commandant is having to move back to Chicago and has stepped down. Commandant elect, Rich Carrera, appointed Sharon Reddick to fill his term.

The new officers will be sworn in at the 12 June meeting. Other officers and squad leaders serve at the pleasure of the commandant and will be announced at the June meeting.

### Marine and Associate of the Year

The election of the Marine and Associate of the Year took place at the May meeting. Results will be announced during the June meeting. We had a great slate of candidates.



## Commandant's Office Hours

**Rich Carrera**

Since we are at the end of our fiscal year and a new budget has been produced, we are in excellent shape financially and at the June meeting our new officers will be installed.

I look forward to serving the 260 as your Commandant, along with **Jim Hayes** as SVC, **Sharon Reddick** as JVC, and **Harold Turner** continuing as Judge Advocate. Additional staff officers are: **Rebecca Tyree**, Paymaster, **Gerald Peek**, Sgt. at Arms, **Winston Shearin**, Chaplain, **Jack Masarie**, Adjutant, **Roger Stockton Jr.** Past Commandant and **Bob Cavanaugh**, "stuff". Some others I want to recognize for all that they do for your league are **Chuck Stotz**, **Scott Mathews**, **Bill Moss**, **George Orfanedes**, **Rob O'Hanlon** and, of course, **Alan Atwell**. The Fighting 260 would not be as vibrant an organization if not for these folks.

Our plans for this year are exciting as we look to "ramp up" our efforts in community service, advertising the really good things we do for our community by seeking some press and media attention, and to solicit your participation as we move into some newer areas of endeavor. We want to look at the way we raise funds and how we disperse them, to seek partners in the community of a more ongoing, dependable nature. These are some of the things we believe will "put our name in lights" so-to-speak, with the goal of inviting new members who want to be a part of the noteworthy organization we are.

Our budget for this year reflects some of those efforts such as an increase of 50% in our scholarships for scouts and the addition of one for the league to offer to a member or family. Please consider where you want to help as the opportunities unfold and any area that you just can't help but becoming involved, jump in. I agree with former Commandant **Scott Matthews** idea of choosing at least ONE thing with which you will help this year. We frequently hear "how is your day going" and I respond that it is going the way you direct it to go. It is true, you know. We are interested in your thoughts and ideas on any subject that will improve what we do, so communicate with us because we work for you.

Thank you in advance, Semper Fidelis,  
Rich Carrera, Commandant



## Chaplain's Corner

**Chaplain Winston Shearin**

The blazing torch of summer brings with it a calling for each of us to be about the work of service. School will soon be out and although there will be some time for vacations, there always seems to be plenty of work to go around. At home, with our families, with our religious organizations, in the community, or with the League at the ballpark or community events, the torch of service must be borne by the faithful. I was reminded very recently of the torch of service as I strolled amongst the rows of graves in the veterans section of Forest Lawn cemetery, each resting place adorned with a small version of our nation's colors. The walk on the soft grass was pleasant in the mild breeze and the blue Carolina sun calmed my spirit. After a few minutes, when the noise of the busy world had calmed a bit, I heard the call. It was the same call you and I felt when we answered as younger people: the call to serve. The fluttering flags and rustling leaves echoed the story. "We have given the full measure and we sleep. Only the living can serve." I am reminded of John McRae's masterful poem, *In Flanders Fields* where the dead call out, "The torch; be yours to hold it high. If ye break faith with us who die, We shall not sleep." There will come a day when we shall rest, but there is no doubt today that our world, our communities, our children need us now more than ever. We are called to serve. Semper Fi!



# Memorial Day Events



Southeast H.S. Color Guard



Speaker was Rep. Jon Hardister



Jordan Winslow Leading us in the National Anthem



Col. & Mrs. Phil Gorham



Jane Thomas of the Rachel Caldwell Chapter of the D.A.R.



Sharon Reddick & KBin Nash



Winston Shearin



# Scenes from May, 2017 Meeting Knight's of Columbus Hall



Adjutant Jack Masarie Playing His Cane



The Knight's Bar is Open for Luke, Malachi, & Spike



Newest Member James Smith and His Wife



Being Led in Prayer by Chaplain Winston Shearin



Alex Stop receiving the 500th Good Citizenship Award. presented by the 260



Darlene Yellock enjoying herself

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**Veteran Services Officer**  
**Andrea Lamonds**



If you are in need of medical assistance, or advice, please contact Andrea at 336-641-2957.

Her office is located in Suite 128, at 1203 Maple Street. She is located in the vicinity of Moses Cone Hospital.

Any service you need can be applied for through her.

Detachment 260 has a very skilled individual to assist our members with their medical needs. Ms. Andrea Lamonds is the Veterans Services Officer for N.C. She will be our go to person when we have questions or need assistance. She is located at 1203 Maple St., Ste. 128, Greensboro 27405. She can be reached at 336-641-2957. You can apply for services thru her.



# JUNE 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 X Regular Mtg.	13	14	15	16 X Grasshopper Game	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30 X Grasshopper Game	

## UP COMING EVENTS

Monthly Meeting of the Detachment, Monday June 12th beginning at 5:30 p.m. Dinner at 6:30

Greensboro Grasshopper games on the 16th and 30th. Lets have a great turnout for these two events.

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# Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser at O'Charley's Restaurant



Jim Hayes confronting Rich Carrera about his coffee being too cold.



Ron Medder getting the word from Sharon about getting her to a table



Wesley is doing what Marines do best!!



Chuck Stotz and Sharon Reddick looking underwhelmed by their work taking up tickets.



Guest, XL Beard and Nancy Stotz



# Carolina Field of Honor on Memorial Day, 2017





**Some of the several thousand persons who gathered at the Carolina Field of Honor for the Memorial Day Service of Remembrance. Young and old alike showed up to honor the fallen heroes of every generation.**



## Minutes of May 8, 2017



**Jack Masarie**

**Adjutant**

There were forty-five members and guests in attendance. Eagle Scout, Alex Stop and his family were present as he received his plaque as the 500th recipient of the Marine Corps League Good Citizenship Award. XL Beard and Ron Medder made the presentation. James Smith (1963-71 with two Vietnam tours) became our newest member. Rebecca Tyree presented the Paymaster's report. Senior Vice Commandant, Rich Carrera, requested 12 volunteers to serve at our pancake breakfast at O'Charley's. Members were encouraged to sell tickets and to attend.

Chaplain, Winston Shearin, reported the hospitalization of George Orfanedes, and Roger Stockton. Quartermaster is taking orders for covers and nametags. Sharon Reddick thanked the 28 volunteers for their participation at our Belk Charity Day Fundraiser and reported record sales.

The Detachment voted for Associate and Marine of the Year, results to be announced at our June meeting.

Rich Carrera reported the impracticability of the Ballpark's request for a list of workers a week in advance of each game. Volunteer Leader/Coordinator, Wes Fortman, reported needing 21 volunteers per game. Wes is also negotiating parking and volunteer access to the ballpark.

Jim Birdwell, Chair of Budget Committee (J Connors, B Craven, G Orfanedes, Cavanaugh, and R. Tyree) presented the new budget, to be voted upon at our next meeting. Bill Moss reported that the goal for our upcoming Hope for the Warriors Golf Tourney is larger than stated in the new budget.

The slate of candidates for Detachment Officers, as noted in the "Grinder" were elected "by acclamation".

Members were encouraged to be a part of the Memorial Day activities at Friendly Center.

XL Beard announced that Hospice of Concord's July 30th dinner will honor Korean War Veterans. Mike Clark suggested a fundraising event on a Saturday or Sunday at Charlotte Motor Speedway, and will present details to the 260th Officers. Rob O'Hanlon announced Memorial Day Ceremonies at Carolina Field of Honor (11:00AM-12:00 noon). A pipes and drum corps will perform.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jack Masarie, Adjutant

