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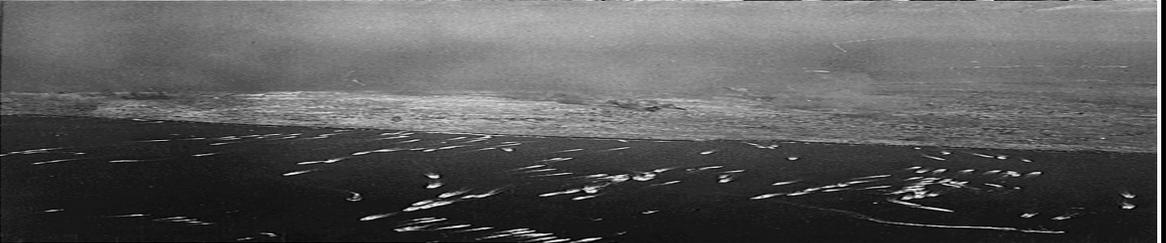
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THE BATTLE OF IWO JIMA



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John Dilday

We are starting a new fiscal year and that always brings excitement. Why? Because it signals an opportunity to start fresh. But before we go into the new, I want to openly thank those who were a part of making this past year a success. First to thank Russ Oliver for his efforts as Sr. Vice Commandant and then to Toby Roberts for stepping up to take over the position when Russ stepped down for personal reasons. Then to Bruce Goeden as Jr. Vice Commandant and his efforts to promote the good of the Tar Heel Detachment. As Judge Advocate, Tyrone Ashe offered more than just making sure that we followed proper parliamentary procedure but he headed up many events that paid tribute to the Marine Corps League and other military organizations. Ed Romanoski did outstanding work as Sgt At Arms, making sure our meeting room was properly set up for our meetings then making sure we left it in a better position than we found it. Thank you to Richard Patrick for handling the dual duties of Adjutant and Paymaster, then to Suellen Beaulieu as Adjutant and James Cox as Paymaster for stepping up when Richard had to step down for personal reasons. To James Niver, a big Thank You for his dedication by handling the Chaplains position with dignity and offering many insightful thoughts with his contributions to our Scuttlebutt. Andrew Blizzard is always there when needed as he served as Jr. Past Commandant, also offering encouragement and that infectious smile. David Gardner does an outstanding job as our liaison with the Boy Scouting program and coordinating the Eagle Scout recognition and the Tar Heel Detachment. Richard Patrick has done and continues to maintain our outstanding website. As Editor of our monthly newsletter, The Scuttlebutt, Suellen Beaulieu produces an outstanding publication each and every month. As the Leader of the Capitol City Young Marines, Doug Smith continues to put together outstanding programs for the youth of our community. Those are your leaders but it is "YOU" the Detachment members both old and new who make the Tar Heel Detachment the outstanding unit that it is. That is what makes my position as Commandant such a great privilege and pleasure.

April 1st begins the new fiscal year and the opportunity to do more outstanding activities to support the programs that are depending on us to continue being successful – The Young Marines, Toys for Tots, USO Raleigh Durham, Wounded Warrior Battalion at Camp LeJeune, Military Missions in Action, the Cary High ROTC program, Gunny Claus and Marines Helping Marines, which this past year we were able to assist several Marines who needed a little help getting through some obstacles in life. Your newly elected officers, Sr. Vice Commandant Bruce Goeden, Jr. Vice Commandant Tyrone Ashe and Judge Advocate James White as well as the appointed staff, Adjutant Suellen Beaulieu, Paymaster James Cox, Sgt at Arms Ed Romanoski, Chaplin James Niver, Scouting Coordinator David Gardner, Public Relations James Lewis (thanks James for taking over this position in order to get the word out about your Tar Heel Detachment), Webmaster Richard Patrick and Doug Smith, Young Marines, all stand ready to provide the leadership you desire. As Commandant all efforts will be focused on helping to coordinate the efforts of each of them and each of you. But most of all it will be up to you to provide the support to accomplish the goals of the Tar Heel Detachment. Welcome to our newest members William Cargill and Kevin Jobst. We look forward to having you as a part of our upcoming activities and welcome your contributions and presence. To everyone, invite those Marines you come in contact with to join us at one of our Detachment meetings.

A big shout out to Gayle Dilday for her efforts in bringing the wives together for an evening of dining and just plain old having fun. These dinners have been averaging 8 to 10 gathering for dinner on the same night as our regular Detachment meeting. If you are a wife that would like to enjoy a fun evening of food and camaraderie then just come to the meeting with your Marine and join these ladies.

Let's make 2016 a most enjoyable year.
Semper Fi
John Dilday

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31	LIFE members
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85	Total Members

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Iwo Jima MOH Winner Hershel 'Woody' Williams

WICHITA FALLS, Texas - Hershel "Woody" Williams weighed only three pounds when he was born on a farm in Quiet Dell, West Virginia. His early education took place in a one-room schoolhouse. As a young man, he joined the Marine Corps Reserves believing he would never be shipped overseas, but still wanting to guard the United States from the home front. Williams thought wrong. He soon found himself cutting through the waves of the Pacific and eventually hitting the beaches of Guam and then the black sands of Iwo Jima during World War II. He was awarded the Medal of Honor for his actions on the volcanic island, Feb. 23, 1945.

When I was growing up there were two Marines, who would visit my hometown and they always wore their dress blue uniforms. We kids would hang around those guys as much as they would let us. The dress blue uniform impressed me. I never dreamed of being in the military. Other than those two Marines, we seldom saw anyone from the military. I was in the Civilian Conservation Corps, with about 260 people, from all over the country, when Pearl Harbor was bombed. I had never heard of Pearl Harbor. They told us we had a choice to make. I asked for my release, so I could go home to be in the military. When I got home, I wanted my mother, my father was deceased, to sign the papers, so I could go into the Marine Corps. She wouldn't do it. When I turned 18, I went to the recruiting office and filled out the paper work. The Marine didn't even look at it. He just looked at me and said, "Sorry you're too short." I went home. If I couldn't go into the Marine Corps, I wasn't going to go at all. Early in 1943, the Marine Corps started accepting Marines of a shorter height. The recruiter looked me up and asked if I still wanted to go. I said, yes I still want to go. I didn't know, at the time I went into the Marine Corps, that I would ever leave the United States. The concept most of us had going into the service was we were going to stay right here in America to protect the country because our freedom had been threatened. It wasn't until I got through boot camp that I learned we were going overseas. I didn't even know we had a Pacific ocean.

When I completed boot camp, I went to a place called Jacques Farm at Camp Pendleton. We took to training, there, on how to work with tanks. It was a tank-training farm. After six weeks there, we began infantry training at Camp Pendleton. December 1943 we were shipped overseas. I got sent to the 3rd Marine Division, which happened to be on Guadalcanal at the moment. **That's where I became a flamethrower demolition operator.** No one was trained to operate it. The gunnery sergeant in charge didn't like the phosphorous gel of the flamethrower. With one stream, you'd waste all your fuel before you got on target. We began experimenting with other fluids. We started diesel fuel with airplane gasoline because it burned hotter than regular gaso-



Hershel "Woody" Williams, Marine survivor from the battle of Iwo Jima and the last living Medal of Honor recipient for his actions during the battle, poses for a photo during the Iwo Jima Battle Survivors and Family Association 70th anniversary reunion at Wichita Falls, Texas, February 14, 2015. Williams has started the Hershel "Woody" Williams Medal of Honor Foundation, which encourages, with the assistance of the American public and community leaders, establishing permanent gold star family memorial monuments in their communities throughout the United States to honor gold star families who have sacrificed a loved one in the service of their country.

line. Somebody said, "You put this on your back and if you get hit, you're going to explode." So, we set it out in the field and shot at it with M1 rifles and .30 caliber machine guns trying to make it explode. We really tried to penetrate it, but we couldn't do it.

On Iwo Jima, I was back with Headquarters Company the whole time supplying demolition Marines with whatever they needed. The commanding officer had a meeting in this huge crater, which was made by a large bomb. We were looking for ways to move forward. We had tried several times and every time we were overpowered and we had to move back. I was asked to use the flamethrower to take out some of the pillboxes that were holding us up. It is very possible that if two Marines, on Feb. 23, 1945, had not given their lives protecting mine; I would not be privileged to wear this medal. I was assigned two riflemen and two battlefield assault riflemen. I put a battlefield assault rifleman and a rifleman on each side of the area I was going to approach, so they could shoot the pillbox I selected. That's when I lost two of them. Two of them got killed. The pillboxes had an aperture in front with about a six to eight inch opening in the front. That's where they could put their rifles and machine guns out and have a complete field of fire on you because it covered almost the whole front of the pillbox, which was about eight to 12 feet long. That day, I did the work, which resulted in my receiving the medal. I used up six flamethrowers. I was crawling up a ditch. They had dug ditches between the pillboxes, so they could come out and crawl on their belly to the next pillbox and you couldn't see them. They were below ground level. I could see a light machine gun. As I crawl up the ditch he starts firing at me. I'm low enough in the ditch that his bullets were ricocheting off my flamethrower on my back. He was firing about 750 rounds-per-minute. When I was close enough, I crawled around the side to get out of the field of fire. I crawled up the sand on top of the pillbox and stuck my flamethrower down the vent pipe.

I should have been evacuated March 6. I got hit with piece of shrapnel. It had gotten me inside the left leg. I slid in a grazed out piece of ground. The corpsman came. He took his forceps and pulled it out and said, "Do you want this?" I said, "I sure do!" It was still hot. I still have it. Then the corpsman wrote out his report sitting there on the ground next

to me. We had been told if a corpsman ever tagged you, you have to go back. He put that yellow tag on my lapel. I reached up and jerked the tag off, so I stayed. Of course for several days I walked with a big, long limp. We left Iwo Jima and came back to Guam after the campaign was over. The engineers had built some false fronted buildings, like it was a street. We began to learn how to street fight. Up until that time, we had no idea what fighting in streets would be like. We were headed for Kyushu, Japan. If the bombs hadn't dropped on Japan and the war hadn't ended, we would have landed all six Marine divisions in Kyushu.

Woody made it home from the volcanic island, not all service members were lucky enough to return home. For information about the Hershel "Woody" Williams Medal of Honor Foundation visit

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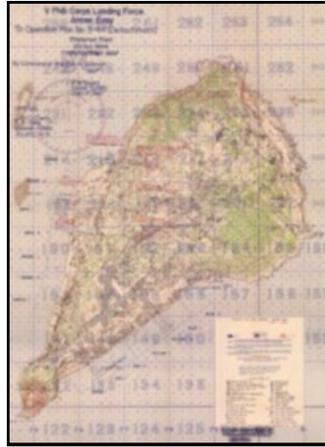


Harry Truman, president of the United States, congratulates Hershel "Woody" Williams, a Marine reservist and survivor of the battle of Iwo Jima, on being awarded the Medal of Honor for his actions during the battle of Iwo Jima during World War II October 5, 1945 at the White House in Washington. Williams is the last living Medal of Honor recipient from the battle of Iwo Jima.

71st Anniversary of The Battle for Iwo Jima

The Battle for Iwo Jima

Location: Volcanic island 660 miles south of Tokyo Size: 2 miles wide by 4 miles long (8 sm)



Background: Summer/Fall 1944

Even before ground operations to secure the Mariana Islands of Guam, Saipan, and Tinian ended, U.S. Naval construction battalions were already clearing land for air bases suitable for the new B-29 "Superfortresses." These huge bombers had a range capable of reaching the Japanese Home Islands. The first B-29 bombing runs began in October 1944. But there was a problem—Japanese fighters taking off from tiny Iwo Jima were intercepting B-29s, as well as attacking the Mariana airfields. The U.S. determined that Iwo Jima must be captured.

The Battle:

U.S. Marines invaded Iwo Jima on February 19, 1945, after months of naval and air bombardment. The Japanese defenders of the island were dug into bunkers deep within the volcanic rocks. Approximately 70,000 U.S. Marines and 18,000 Japanese soldiers took part in the battle. In thirty-six days of fighting on the island, nearly 7,000 U.S. Marines were killed. Another 20,000 were wounded. Marines captured 216 Japanese soldiers; the rest were killed in action. The island was finally declared secured on March 16, 1945. It had been one of the bloodiest battles in Marine Corps history. After the battle, Iwo Jima served as an emergency land-

ing site for more than 2,200 B-29 bombers, saving the lives of 24,000 U.S. airmen. Securing Iwo Jima prepared the way for the last and largest battle in the Pacific: the invasion of Okinawa.

The Flag Raising:

The flag-raising atop Mt. Suribachi took place on February 23, 1945; five days after the battle began. Associated Press photographer Joe Rosenthal took the famous photograph of five Ma-



ines and one Navy corpsman raising the flag. The flag raisers were Cpl. Harlon Block, Navy Pharmacist's Mate John Bradley, Cpl. Rene Gagnon, PFC Franklin Sousley, Sgt. Michael Strank, and Cpl. Ira Hayes. Three of these men—Strank, Sousley, and Block—were killed before the battle for Iwo Jima was over. The photograph was quickly wired around the world and reproduced in newspapers across the United States. The image was used as a model for the Marine Memorial at Arlington National Cemetery.

Awards:

Twenty-seven Medals of Honor (our country's highest military award for bravery) were awarded for action on Iwo Jima—more than any other battle in U.S. history.

"Among the men who fought on Iwo Jima, uncommon valor was a common virtue"

—Admiral Chester W. Nimitz

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Detachment Meeting, March 2, 2016





Chaplain's Corner
Jim Niver

Faith is the evidence or proof of what we cannot see or what we have not yet seen. By faith we know that God made the universe, although we cannot see God and we were not present at the creation. Faith also is the evidence or proof that God exists, and it is also the evidence that He will keep His promises, even though we have not seen those promises yet. If we have faith, we know that God is able to work miracles in our lives, that He can protect us physically and heal us. He will provide for our needs, and often He will even provide for our wants. Most importantly, by faith He will develop His holy, righteous character in us in order that we can become members of His family.

Now with new Star Trek all the vogue, and alien beings seemingly spanning the universe, the question often arises whether this science fiction is a possibility? Do other intelligent life forms exist, and if they do, do they believe in God? Are we the only species that believe in God? We believe in God being the creator of all things, so it follows that these aliens, having been created by God would have a spiritual sense and worship God their creator.

I have an overwhelming sense of order and that sense reaches out into the universe where order (as Einstein has posited and has recently be proven correct) exists. This order then, out of necessity, would need a creator. Then these aliens would reach out to this creator, who would love and reach out to them in return.

Intelligent life would thus develop a moral code which would share our virtues. Diverse cultures here on earth, with no contact with each other, have developed moral codes and sacred texts that overlap with many of the same virtues and principles. Thus it follows that alien cultures would also. God on earth is similar to God in the perimeter of the universe, and life there would also be in God's hands.

Upcoming MCL Events...

Det Meeting	March 2
Daylight savings Time	March 13
Det Installation of Officers	March 13
Pistol Shoot	March 16
DoNC Quarterly Mtg Greensboro	March 18-19

Future Events

Det Meeting	April 6
Pistol Shoot	April 20

Marine marchers will 'bring home' fallen friends from 2015 helicopter crash

By Dan Lamothe , The Washington Post , February 16, 2016

A year ago in March, a UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter descended into soupy fog off the coast of the Florida Panhandle and never returned. The helicopter crashed into water southwest of Eglin Air Force Base, killing all seven elite Special Operations Marines and all four Louisiana National Guardsmen aboard.

The incident sent shock waves through the Louisiana National Guard and Marine Corps Forces Special Operations Command (MARSOC), the elite force the service established about a decade ago to carry out dangerous missions in remote locations. Now, a year later, fellow members of MARSOC are preparing a grueling send-off: With 45 pounds in rucksacks on their backs, they will march next month some 770 miles from the shore in Navarre, Florida, near the crash site to Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, home to MARSOC's headquarters.

"I've literally been planning this since March 11, which is the day after it went down," said Nathan Harris, a staff sergeant in MARSOC who was friends with a few of the Marines killed. "As soon as I saw the news reports and heard the rumors that it might be our guys, I started thinking about ways that we could honor their memory."

The effort is known as the Marine Raider Memorial March. At least 14 Special Operations Marines and veterans will be involved as they raise money for the Brothers in Arms Foundation while on leave from the military. The organization has assisted the families of the fallen Marines since last year, Harris said.

Killed in the crash were Marine Capt. Stanford H.

Shaw III; Master Sgt. Thomas A. Saunders; Staff Sgt. Kerry M. Kemp; Staff Sgt. Andrew C. Seif; Staff Sgt. Liam A. Flynn; Staff Sgt.



Marcus Bawol; and Staff Sgt. Trevor P. Blaylock. They were in Florida for amphibious training, and all part of the same tight-knit team. Shaw, a Naval Academy graduate, served as their commander. Saunders was their team chief.

Also killed were Chief Warrant Officer 4 George Wayne Griffin Jr., and Chief Warrant Officer 4 George David Strother, who piloted the aircraft, and the other members of their helicopter crew: Staff Sgt. Lance Bergeron and Staff Sgt. Thomas Florich.

Each member of the march will carry a commemorative plate in the pack with the names of all 11 fallen service members etched on it. The marchers will be split into seven teams and move in rotating 10-mile legs 24 hours per day for 11 days beginning March 11. Each team will represent one of the Marines killed, and take turns carrying a paddle that washed ashore from the helicopter wreckage. It has been decorated with the dog tags of the 11 fallen service members, and will be presented to MARSOC leaders at Camp Lejeune.

The route will begin at Navarre Beach, and work its way toward Panama City before cutting northeast into southern Georgia and South Carolina. It will cross through Savannah, Georgia, and pass by the front gate to Parris Island, the iconic Marine Corps recruit training center in South Carolina.

AROUND WORLD IN SEVEN DAYS: MARINES COMPLETE WORLD MARATHON CHALLENGE

By Sgt. Terry Brady, Defense Media Activity

FORT GEORGE G. MEADE, Md. --

From the very beginning, Marines are trained to endure different environmental conditions and maintain and improve combat effectiveness. Some have taken the concept and applied it to other ambitious endeavors.

Capt. Daniel T. Cartica and Capt. Calum Ramm, who participated in the World Marathon Challenge Jan. 23–30, are two of these Marines.

The challenge is a weeklong event consisting of seven marathons spanning across each of the continents. The marathons were held in: Union Glacier, Antarctica; Punta Arenas, Chile; Miami, Madrid, Spain; Marrakech, Morocco; Dubai, United Arab Emirates, and Sydney, Australia.

Cartica and Ramm finished first and second, respectively, with Cartica finishing with a total time of 24 hours, 46 minutes and 56 seconds.



Captains Calum Ramm, left, and Daniel Cartica, right, cross a finish line during the World Marathon Challenge Jan. 23 at Union Glacier, Antarctica. The World Marathon Challenge is a seven-day event that encompasses seven marathons run on every continent. Cartica won the event with a cumulative time of 24 hours, 46 minutes and 56 seconds.

“Ramm and I ran most of the marathons together,” said Cartica. “He was in great shape, has a high tolerance and threshold for pain, and we worked together for majority of this endeavor. For a few of the marathons, there were six-to-eight-mile sections where Cal and I would just take off, and we would be running

5:30-5:40 [minute] mile pace.

“Training for this event, I don’t think I ran anything faster than 6:45 pace for some of my runs,” said Cartica.

Physically preparing began months before the marathon.

“I did not start training for this event until Oct. 10,” said Cartica. “From that point on, I ran 30 to 35 miles a week. I also did interval swimming, endurance swimming three to four times a week, and CrossFit Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.”

Mentally preparing for the event was more important than physical preparations because of the competitors’ experience and foundation with running, according to Ramm.

“The team’s coach, Joe Puleo, gave me some sound advice, and we both trusted the fact that the years of

running I had under my belt would suffice for an endurance event like this,” Ramm said.

The competitors had different reasons for running the marathons. Ramm ran to support fundraisers for ill and injured service members.

“I have been running for a long time, but it has always been to benefit myself,” said Ramm. “I tried to think of ways I could help along the same lines. Since I was a decent runner, I figured I



Captains Calum Ramm, left, and Daniel Cartica, right, hold the Marine Corps battle colors at the finish line during the World Marathon Challenge Jan. 23 at Union Glacier, Antarctica

should use my hobby to benefit others. This was pretty good motivation for me all in itself. The [fundraisers] do such a great job getting service members back to competing and taking part in sports after their injuries, which I have always found is a great healing process.”

Cartica competed to support the service members who died during the Chattanooga shooting in 2015.

“This event was never about me, or anything I was trying to achieve or seek out, said Cartica. “The entire premise for doing this was in remembrance of the four Marines and one sailor, who were killed.”

The Marines faced many obstacles, such as lack of sleep and maintaining nutrition,

“I found out I had a stress fracture in my shin, which started mid-race in Madrid,” Ramm said. “That meant finishing the marathon in Spain with the pain, gutting it out in Morocco with even worse pain, and then heading into Dubai barely able to put weight on it.

“Before the race in Dubai, [I] noticed my leg was really swollen,” Ramm said. “I knew at this point it was going to be a rough race, and for the first nine miles we tried everything to at least numb the pain. I did not think I was going to finish the race, but was able to meet my goal and run the entire race under four hours.”

In the aftermath of the competition, Ramm hopes Marines pursue ambitions and challenges boldly.

“A lot of times, I see Marines using there leave to go home for two or three weeks and do what they were doing for the 17 years before they joined the Corps,” Ramm said. “I really like to encourage people, not just Marines, to take the time they have off and do something different, or go somewhere new.

“I think if you want to go out and do something, don’t hesitate and just do it. It’s definitely worth putting yourself out there and seeing what happens, and this trip just further fortified that in my mind.”

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Eagle Scouts Good Citizenship Awards



On the left: Three Eagle Scouts, Grant Johnson, Jacob Connor and Isaac Peart, received Good Citizenship Awards from the Marine Corps League, Tar Heel Detachment #733 for achieving scouts’ highest achievement at their Court of Honor on Sunday evening, February 21st in Apex. Seen above Commandant John Dilday, Marines John Staley and Randal Rempfer pose with the scouts.

On the right: Patrick Holmquist and Ian Adler were presented the Marine Corps League Good Citizenship Award for achieving the Boy Scout’s highest award, the Eagle Scout badge at their Court of Honor on Sunday, February 28 in Cary. Pictured above is Marine David Gardener, Commandant John Dilday and Marine Randel Rempfer with the two scouts.





**Sr. Vice Commandant's
Message
Toby Roberts**

Another Marine
This will be the 3rd and last article of a short tour as Sr. Vice. Cdt. of The Tar Heel Detachment, MCL. The recon platoon and I, attached to an Infantry Bn got to go on a SLF to Okinawa. It was supposed to be a 3 month tour out of the, "manure". We were back in Khe Sanh in less than 3 weeks due to the NVA build-up and the horrible hill fights. After accidentally stumbling into contact with NVA on a 7-man 7-day recon patrol near Khe Sanh in June I was relieved as Plt. Cdr. for requesting an emergency extract because the NVA were chasing us... I got bounced around and landed at 3rd Anti-Tank BN (Ontos) with a great WW II CO. He helped me rebut the inevitable lousy fitness report. I was promoted to Capt. and decorated for valor but the bad taste affects me to this day. CONUS safe in Oct. '67 I became Regt. G-2 for Col. Bill Barber (Korea MOH recipient) and the 2nd Marines (thank God for a great WO-2 running the 2 shop). At Gitmo (being a bachelor) w/ 2/8 I finally was made an Infantry Co. Cdr. After a final tour back at, "Swamp Lagoon" as a Shore Party Co. CO under another great CO, S.H. Batchelder I resigned. I fell in love with and married my Jean, a "WestPac Widow" and was headed to Grad School to get a Master Architecture degree at the U. of P. in Phila. Sometime in Grad school I got a phone call from Gunny Bill Messner in NJ who was a Platoon mate in RVN. He ran me down thru my home address on some old orders. We kept in touch and finally during one year's call we got onto the subject still plaguing me; being relieved. Bill said, "why in the "H" do you think a Cpl. keeps in touch with a Lt.?" He said "you saved 7 Marines by telling a bunker full bird on the radio to stick my commission up his A". I did not/would not use that phrase. The bird was not aware of Recon's mission: snoop, poop, report back, do not initiate contact w/ the enemy. Anyway, thanks to my PTSD group of RVN Vets and 2 great Psychologists at the Altoona PA VA I've been feeling a lot better. Back to Top Mooney: I have tried to take care of and listen to, "the troops" ever since. Most of corporate America hasn't got and will never have a clue about the Top's leadership lesson. Semper Fidelis! Toby Roberts



**Jr. Vice Commandant's
Comments
Bruce Goeden**

Welcome Y all to the Month of March and ALL it has to offer!
In a few days we will swear in the Officers for the 2016-2017 Fiscal Year at Devils Ridge Country Club. **All of you are invited to attend!!!** You can Contact the Commandant or Myself to make arrangements to Join us for the Dinner and the Ceremony on March 13th at 1600 Hrs or 4PM Civilian. OH yes! And for the rest of you the Little Hand is on the 4 and the Big Hand is on the 12!!!!

The coming months are going to be a challenge! We need to move forward as a TEAM and accept the Challenges so we can feel the Exhilaration of Victory!

We will have many Opportunities placed before us! Oh Sure, we could all just sit around and wait for that Dream ship to come in, Carrying all the money, we will need to support the Detachment or we can all get off our duffs and jump in with **both feet**, work together, make commitments and move throu the objectives we will Encounter as a "**A Marine Corps Team**" and **Succeed!!**.

We need to do what Marines do best!, "**Team Work**". As you should already know! Working together at the beginning of anything and continuing that movement forward will cause momentum and together we can Create Progress. When we use any and all means necessary we will as we did in the past, "**Accomplish the Mission**"!!!!

The question that I keep asking myself is? Do we still have that Marine Corps "Attitude", or did some of us maybe Lose it ????? I always remember as a Drill Instructor that the Attitude of a recruit and the platoon in general made the difference. Working together was how most things got accomplished. Working alone only works on somethings and not for long. Be a "TEAM" Player and help us make the "BIGGEST" Difference in the year ahead! There is no "I" in Team !! Lets Work Together to make the Tar Heel Detachment # 733 the Best!! You are all United States Marines, FMF Corpsmen and Navy Chaplains.

I am Proud to know Each and Everyone of you! "**My Proudest Moments are Calling Each and Everyone Of You My Friends!!**"

Semper Fi:
Bruce Goeden, Jr Vice , Tar Heel Detachment 733

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OHRaaaaaaa!!

Capitol City Young Marines Defend Freedom Tour, Umstead Park Hike, and Sir Walter Raleigh Gun Safety





\$10 - RAFFLE TICKETS - \$10

**2016 Marine Corps League
Tarheel Detachment 733 Annual Raffle**

First Prize -Kimber Stainless Steel 1911 Raptor II



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Tarheelmcl.org for more information

Email linthici@bellsouth.net for tickets

The League is a not for profit organization within the provisions of IRS Code 501 (c) (4), with a special group exemption letter which allows for **contributions** to the Marine Corps League to be **tax deductible** by the donor.

Drawing will be week of November 10th 2016



MARINE CORPS LEAGUE
TAR HEEL DETACHMENT #733
Minutes March 2, 2016

Opening ceremony was held at 1900 hours at the Christ the King Lutheran Church in Cary, NC. The meeting was conducted by Commandant John Dilday. There were 30 in attendance.

Recognition of Guests. The Commandant welcomed all members and wished them a great new year. He recognized the following guests: Luke Young.

Roll Call of Officers: PRESENT except as noted:

John Dilday, Commandant; Toby Roberts, Sr. Vice Commandant; Bruce Goeden, Jr. Vice Commandant; Tyrone Ashe, Judge Advocate; Andrew Blizzard, Jr. Past Commandant; Suellen Beaulieu, Adjutant; James Cox, Paymaster; Ed Romanoski, Sgt at Arms; Jim Niver, Chaplain; James Lewis, Public Affairs; David Gardner, Eagle Scout Coordinator, and Doug Smith, Young Marine Coordinator.

EXCUSED: none

Applications for new members. There was 1 new application for membership. Marine Angel Menendez. A motion was made by Jim Lewis and seconded by Tyrone Ashe to approve Marine Menendez for detachment membership. Motion approved.

Induction of new members, William Cargill and Kevin Jobst, was held at the meeting. It was conducted by DoNC Chief of Staff John Staley.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: The minutes of 3 February, 2015 were published in the January Scuttlebutt. A motion was made by Earl Linthicum and seconded by Walter Atkinson to accept the January minutes. Motion passed.

Correspondence: All correspondence from Dept. of NC has been forwarded to members via e-mail or in the Scuttlebutt.

Reports:

Paymaster: report was submitted and approved pending audit by voice vote. Balance check book is \$7,010.87, CD Balance \$2133.00, total available \$9143.87. Motion to approve paymasters report as presented subject to audit was made by Suellen Beaulieu and seconded by James Lewis. Motion approved.

Sickness or Distress: Please keep the following in your thoughts and prayers:

Coble Staley recovering from surgery
Pat Harris continuing in rehab
Joe Zaytoun home from the hospital
Steve Curlee's wife preparing for operation
Enya Garcia receiving treatment adjusting to different meds

Standing Committees:

Sr. Vice Commandant: Toby Roberts N/A

Jr. Vice Commandant: Bruce Goeden asks the detachment members to respond to emails from the detachment. Mentioned the DoNC quarterly meeting and asked if members were interested in carpooling. Mentioned to check the schedule of events on the web site and Scuttlebutt

Judge Advocate: Tyrone Ashe talked about the progress of the planning for the Memorial Day Wreath Laying Ceremony. He is still looking for volunteers. Please contact him if you are interested.

Jr. Past Commandant: Andrew Blizzard spoke about the Wake County Veteran Affairs meetings. He will be sending out legislative information soon. He is committed to enhance the publicity and citizen participation in the Annual Veterans Day Parade.

Public Relations. James Lewis has us listed on www.eventstriangle.com under Marines and is working with media stations for MCL publicity.

Sgt-At-Arms: Ed Romanoski Collected \$ 48.00 for the flower fund; \$41.00 for 50/50. \$21.00 to winner;

\$20.00 to detachment. Total to the detachment \$68.00.

Eagle Scouts: David Gardener reported that we had 5 Eagle Scouts who received the Good Citizenship Award from the Detachment in February. There are 2 ceremonies scheduled so far in March and one in April. The Commandant will send out notices to the detachment on the time and place. He encouraged members to attend.

Capitol City Young Marines Doug Smith reports that there are still 25 Young Marine recruits that are about half way through their training. It's the largest group so far. They will go to their Encampment at Marine John Skuce's "depot" on April 15-17 and graduate on Monday April 18th. In February the YM participated in Defend Freedom tour and Umstead Park trail walk and the Sir Walter Gun Club event

Pistol Shoot: Toby Roberts reported that the next pistol shoot is March 16th

Unfinished Business:

Update on Memorial Day. Tyrone Ashe reports that planning for the event is progressing nicely. The times have been adjusted slightly - set up to start at 9:30 AM and the program to begin at 11 AM Tyrone is still looking for volunteers.

Update of Budget and Finance Committee. The audit of the detachment was conducted on 29 February by John Staley, Suellen Beaulieu, Earl Linthicum, James Lewis, Tyrone Ashe, Randal Rempfer. James Cox and John Dilday were also present. The months audited were June through October 2015. The audit was clean except for one minor documentation. An audit for the months of Nov 2015 through Feb 2016 will be conducted before the end of March.

Installation Banquet (Date). The date for the Installation banquet will be Sunday, 13 March 2016 at Devil's Ridge Golf Club @ 1600. Cost: \$24 per person. Please contact Commandant Dilday if you wish to attend.

DoNC Quarterly Meeting in Greensboro will be held 18-19 March at the Airport Holiday Inn

Pistol Raffle. Earl Linthicum reports that the tickets sales are progressing along. Attended another Gun Show in February. Encourage folks to come to these and support the effort. Will have the Commandant send out the dates of the next one.

New Business:

Budget and Finance Committee The Commandant announced new appointees to committee: John Staley, Suellen Beaulieu, James Lewis, Randal Rempfer, Bruce Goeden and James Cox.

Good of the League

After meeting passed the hat to assist funding of Young Marine's escorts for National YM MOY in May to Los Vegas, Nevada

Announcements:

Young Marines meet each Monday at 1830 (this month at Marine Reserve Center, Western Blvd Raleigh)

Eagle Scout Court of Honor. March 8th at Cary Presbyterian Church 614 Griffis St. Cary 1900

Eagle Scout Court of Honor. March 12th at Christ the King Lutheran Church Cary 1500

March 16th 1900 Pistol and Rifle shoot at Wake County Indoor Firing range.

Detachment Officer Installation Banquet will be at Devils Ridge Golf Club on Sunday, March 13th at 1600.

Detachment Officers and Staff planning meeting on Thursday March 17th at 1800 at Commandant Dilday's home.

Wake County Veterans Council meets at 1800 American Legion Post #1 3600 Lee Road Raleigh on March 30th at 1800.

NC Dept Quarterly Meeting March 18-19 in Greensboro

Next Monthly meeting for Detachment will be Wednesday April 2, 2016 beginning at 1800 with dinner and social hour. Business Meeting at 1900

Report of KIA for the months of February 2016: Happy to report no Marine KIA in January months.

Closing Ceremony: The meeting was adjourned at 2033 hours. The next meeting is April 6, 2016.

Respectfully submitted:
Suellen Beaulieu
Adjutant

FROM GUNNY CLAUS

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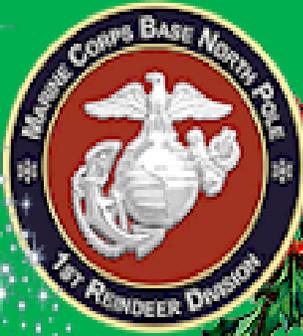
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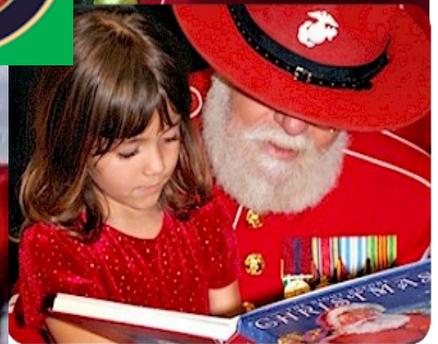
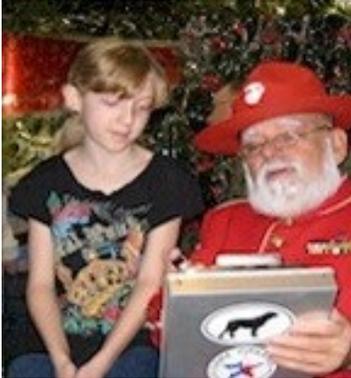
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<http://www.gunnyclaus.org/>



From Gunny Claus:

Thank you to all the volunteers and donors who helped make this 2015 Christmas Season a great success! Thanks to you, we were able to visit with over 10,000 Marine and Navy Children in over 76 locations in 3 states. Volunteers dedicated over 1000 hours to this mission. Mission Accomplished!



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MARCH 2016

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APRIL 2016

Sun	Mo	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Det Mtg	3 <i>John Booth</i>	4 <i>Robert Mann</i>	5
6 <i>Tyrone Ashe</i>	7	8	9	10	11 <i>Bob Fedorico</i>	12 <i>Sandy Mazzu</i>
13 Officer Installation Daylight Savings Time	14	15	16 Pistol Shoot	17	18	19
20	21	22 <i>Anita Horne</i>	23	24	25	26
27	28	29 <i>Herman Matthew</i>	30 <i>Paul Seiler</i>	31		

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5 <i>Ed Welch</i>	6 Det Mtg	7	8	9 <i>Doug John- son</i>
10	11 <i>John Skuce</i>	12	13	14	15	16
17 <i>Mike Snyder</i>	18	19	20 Pistol Shoot	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30 <i>Richard Patrick</i>