



"The Teufel Hunden"

A General Roy S. Geiger Detachment #1047

Newsletter

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Celebration of MGySgt George Smith

Wednesday

August 6th, 2025

Orange Park Town Hall

Orange Park, FL

On this date a Celebration of Life was conducted for our Detachment member MGySgt. George H. Smith who passed away on May 27th, 2025 at the age of ninety nine. MGySgt. was interred at Jacksonville Memory Gardens in a private ceremony on June 4th, 2025.

Losing a Detachment member and brother Marine is incredibly difficult, and leaves a void that words can hardly describe. Lets us cherish the memories by remembering the accomplishments of George as a teacher and as a Marine.

Rest in peace Marine and Semper Fidelis!



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"Aesthetics is Under Foot"

Monday, August 4th, 2025

Detachment Meeting Room

Orange Park, FL

Special kudos go out to the able bodied crew who formed up the work detail to replace the furniture back in our meeting room.

Most importantly, a big hug to DD Rusty Park for inspiring the move to have the Air Conditioner repaired.

Now that the "Air Conditioned" meeting room has a new floor it can only enhance the "curb appeal" of our Detachment as we continue to grow our membership. Always remember that: "we have not come this far to have just come this far."



Commandant's Corner



Greetings all,

I'm very excited that we have our new floor at HQ. I want to thank: (i) all who helped moved all of the chairs and furniture in order to prepare the room for the flooring (ii) those who helped seal the floor, (iii) those who stood watch while the floor was being laid, and (iv) all who helped return the chairs and furniture when the floor was completed.

Since our last Detachment meeting, our HVAC was serviced and is up and running just fine. Thanks to the MODD Pound 263 and those of us who donated for the repairs — these donations drastically minimized the financial impact to our detachment.

Thank you to those who attended the Memorial services for George Smith - it was great to have the opportunity to honor our departed member.

The Detachment Picnic is coming up next month (September 27th), if you have not made your reservations by submitting the survey, then contact Adjutant Charlie Myers. We must have a head count and an idea of the menu (deadline: September 12th). Also, we need to know what side dish or dessert you will bring to share.

I am always amazed at our detachment members who continually step up to help. There are a lot who still are not involved, please consider helping out. There are several events coming up: (i), the Pistol Match in September is where we need your help in getting the information out and your participation to make this a success, and (ii) the General Geiger Golf Tournament ("GGGT") November 7th. Once PDD Scott Westervelt completes the data, we will need a Chair to coordinate our "10th Annual GGGT" and a very strong participation to continue with this annual fundraiser.

Please consider helping us make these event and other events successful, remember the saying that many hands make light work.

The Department of Florida ("DOF") FALL Conference is being held in Lutz Florida, Hyatt Place Tampa Wesley Chapel from 9 Oct to 11 Oct. We need you to sign the registration and Professional Development Program ("PDP") registration list at the meeting.

We have several Members and their family members on the Sick List, please reach out and check on them when you can, and continue to keep them in your prayers.

God bless be safe.



Semper Fi
Commandant Fred

"Stay Below the Line!" Annual Dues Renewal



Mystery Member?

Hometown: East, PA

Boot Camp: Parris Island / OCS Quantico

USMC: 1968 — 2006

MOS: 0311, 0369, 0303, 0402, 0911

Unit: K 3/6 CLNC, 1st ITR, M 3/9, D 1/5 RVN, 2nd ITR, 81 Mortars 2/6, I&I 2/24, USS Saratoga, 2nd LAV, 4th MAR regt., IG MCRD PI, RAMADI, Iraq

Favorite Duty Station: MCSF USS Saratoga & Iceland

Hobby: Fish, hunt & Shrimp

Last issue:

Art Yeaman



\$top and \$mell the Roses: again!

Saturday, July 19th, 2025

Publix at Hibernia Pavilion

Fleming Island, FL



Another hot and steamy Saturday did not stop the "Rose Raiders" from staffing our Detachment 's MCL Rose Program display. This being the second time in July at this friendly Publix at the Hibernia Pavilion in Fleming Island. However, it did not prevent the community from contributing once again.

Thanks to JVC DD Steve Jimenez and his crew for their time and braving the elements to make this once again a successful mission.



Adopt — A — Mile

July 24, 2025

Clay County, FL

CR 220 in Fleming Island is also designated as the "General Roy S. Geiger Memorial Highway" — this is where we should be. We have finally been approved for a section of the General's Road. We now have a foothold. We will continue to seek approval for the remainder of the road.



"Keep him smiling!"

Veterans Affairs Voluntary Service Program known as "VAVS" is now referred to as

"CDCE". (VA Center for Development and Civic Engagement)

Let's keep him smiling! Send in those formerly VAVS reports to our DD Rusty Park.



*Semper Fi
DD Rusty*

2025 DOF Fall Conference

October 9th—11th

**Hyatt Place Tampa Wesley Chapel
Lutz, FL**



The DOF 2025 Fall conference Packet is now available on the DOF website. mcl dof.org . Sign up with Cmdt Fred if you intend on going.



STAY TUNED

Culver's Share Night

Wednesday, September 10th, 2025

1600—2000

Middleburg, FL

Calling all "Share Knights" to contact Chaplain Jack Campbell

**General Geiger Golf Tournament**

"10th GGGT"

Friday, November 7th, 2025

Eagle Harbor Golf Club

Fleming Island, FL



We are still looking for that member to step up to the Green to coordinate our 10th Annual GGGT.

Do you have the calling? This is not a "do it yourself" project, but be assured that there will be enough participants to share the load and to continue on with our GGGT success story.

Contact Commandant PDD Fred Gilmore.

Memorial Charity Pistol Match

Saturday, September 13th, 2025

Clay County Outdoor Adventure Park

3829 Sergeant Bradley Road

Middleburg, FL

What have you done to get the word out and circulate our Pistol Match Flyer? Copies of the flyer can be downloaded from our Detachment website, or you can just contact Judge Advocate George Cater.

**Color Guard: Mission BBQ**

Friday, November 11th, 2025

Veterans Day

Orange Park, FL



Our Color guard has been requested by Mission BBQ to present the Colors at 1130. Contact Commandant PDD Fred Gilmore.

Detachment Picnic

Saturday, September 27th, 2025

Green Cove Springs Park

Green Cove Springs, FL

Are you coming? How many in your party? What's your menu choice? How about bringing a side dish or a dessert.

We need a head count and an idea of what provisions and supplies to order.

If you have not submitted a reply to the Detachment Bulletin "Survey", then how would we know. The deadline for reservations is September 12th.

**Happy 250th Birthday USMC!**

Saturday, November 8th, 2025

Hill Top Restaurant

Orange Park, FL



DD Don Okuly along with Ansil Lewis are chairing this year's USMC Birthday Ball and need your help.

Contact Don and/or Ansil if you are available and if you have any ideas to make this one special.

RESERVED
PARKING FOR

**YOUR
ARTICLE**

***All submittals are subject to MCL Social Media Protocol and will be reviewed for content.**

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Jack Campbell

Let Us Pray!

"Father, your love is as wide as the oceans, as deep as the sea, and as tall as the heavens. May your spirit rise like a mighty wave and come and restore those who are ill. Amen."

Please keep the following members and their families in your prayers:

Don Brammer (W: Sheila)

Del Price (W: JoAnn)

Ski Wojciechowski

Felix Ramos-Vargas

Bill Carter (Emily)

John Van Brocklin

Jim Barlow

Jack Campbell

Rusty Park Family

Herb Steigleman

Kurt Ensell (W: Terrie)

Steve Jimenez (W: Robin)

Lee Hart

Fred Wainwright

Gayle Plant

Gayward Hendry

Bobby Turner

Wayne Stewart



MOTIVATION!

Any one knowing of a member or family member sick or in distress contact

Chaplain Jack Campbell.

(904) 705-8065



**Offering a FREE Breakfast
to potential new members**

Grumpy's Restaurant

834 Kingsley Ave

Orange Park, FL 32073

Doors Open: 0530

Breakfast: 0700



Exercise Your Brain!

**Last issue's answer: "it was the baby,
because the baby was a "little Bigger"**



**"What is yours, but everyone
else you know uses it?"**

**"Don't accept your dog's admiration
as conclusive evidence that you are
wonderful."**

Sgt. Chuckles



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