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A GENERAL ROY S. GEIGER DETACHMENT 1047

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Christmas Party

Friday, December 8th
Lake Asbury Community Center
Green Cove Springs

Silent Auction — Christmas Games — White Elephant Gift Exchange
What a turn out! Thanks to Fred and Suzanne Gilmore for orchestrating such a festive evening.

What an exciting night we had together and to once again enhance the Detachment's comradery. It was more fun than we thought could ever be packed into just a few hours. You pulled out all the stops and made it one of the most memorable evenings. Thank you!



Woof, Woof Barry



Thank You Hill Top!

Friday, November 10th
Hill Top Restaurant
Clay County

Don Okuley on behalf of our Detachment expressed our most sincere appreciation by presenting a plaque to Chad—Hill Top owner, for the generous financial relief in holding our celebration of the USMC 248th Birthday.



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2023 MOY — AMOY

Earl Salmons Lifetime Achievement Award!

Friday, December 8th
Lake Asbury Community Center
Green Cove Springs



Congratulations go out to PDD Scott Westervelt, **Marine of the Year**, Jack Campbell **Associate Member of the Year** and to Don Oakley, **Earl Salmons Lifetime Achievement Award**.

"You're a perfect example that if you set your mind to something, you can achieve anything. Congratulations on earning these awards and taking our Detachment in a new direction.



Commandant's Corner



Happy New Year Marines!

Starting the new year off easily. The 17th is our monthly meeting. We will be having nominations for officers and positions to fill our board. So give it some thought.

Anyone can do this. Don't be hard on yourself, you can do this.

At the end of the month is an opportunity to attend training on any position in our MCL board. Our DOF Professional Development Training team will be here in Orange Park. These are the same Marines that do the training at our state conference's and conventions. This training is being held at the Watson Realty building, 153 Blanding Blvd., Orange Park, FL 32073. These Marines do an excellent presentation. Last, I want to remind you that Covid is still alive. A few of our Members and their spouses, have dealt with it as of late. Please remember, if your feeling run down, congested, or just don't feel yourself, stay home. Don't come to the meeting, breakfast or Gun Show and expose others. Be careful, think smart.



*Semper Fi
Cmdt. Dawn Salmons
God Bless!*

Toys 4 Tots

December 2023
Detachment 1047
Clay Co., FL

We aren't fully aware of the sacrifices you all make during normal circumstances — and when the time comes for you to double down for us, you do it with no questions.

Your support of T4T allows us to continue to fulfill our mission and deliver smiles to needy kids in our community each year, Thank you!

"When you take someone's time you have taken a piece of their life" for this we are eternally grateful!

(photo album can be found on our web)



Sound Off!



By the time you read this, Christmas will have come and gone, and we will have launched into 2024. But I can't help hearkening back to the traditional viewing of the Charlie Brown Christmas Special where Lucy told Charlie Brown, "You need involvement." For 2024, you all need involvement. There's an old 80/20 rule where 80 percent of the work is done by 20 percent of the people. This is true in corporate life, organizations, churches, and sadly even in the Marine Corps League.

Let it not be said of the Mighty Geiger Detachment.

To ensure we do not fall victim to 80/20, your leaders want everyone to get involved in at least one activity. What's your passion? See how it fits into the League's mission (have you read our mission statement recently?) and let an officer know. There are plenty of open positions, and some Marines (and Associates) who are doing an awful lot are ready to release some work to others.

That's my challenge to you!



*Semper Fi
Andy Hefty
Judge Advocate*

A Senior (Vice Commandant) Moment

Greeting to all, hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New year. Suzanne and I would like to thank all who attended the Christmas party, a special thanks to Gayward Hendry, for all the help he gave us and for all those help with the clean up afterward.

As we enter into the New Year, we look forward to continue to make our detachment better.

We look to gain new members, and get current members involved in to some of our detachments activities.

Thanks to our JVC for stating us off with a recruitment event the first weekend of January, it won't be long and we will be doing the pistol shoot and a few color guard events.

We always look for members who would like to join the color guard. See me if you would like to join.

I look forward to a productive upcoming year. God bless



*Semper Fi
Fred Gilmore
Senior Vice Commandant*

Officer Nominations are here!

Have you received the vision?

With a new year comes new strength and new thoughts.

We have not come this far to have just come this far!



What's In your Sea Bag?

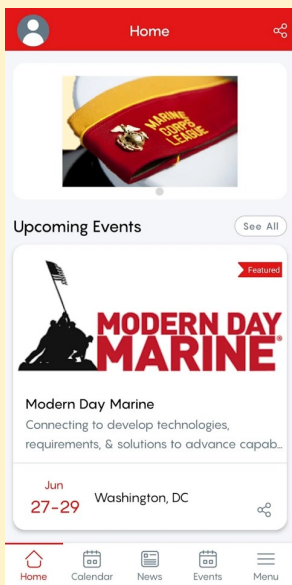
MCL App
Android and Apple

Check out your latest Semper Fi Magazine.

"The Marine Corps League now has a mobile app in the Apple Store and Google Play Store. The app is "free!" This exciting advancement is long-overdue, and we are so happy to finally make it available to our membership.

We have been working to continuously improve and enhance the app. We hope you find it interesting and helpful. The news feed comes directly from the Dept. of Defense as well as Dept. of Veterans Affairs. This avoids using news feeds and getting information directly from the sources we need."

(source: Semper Fi Magazine)



Fundraiser

Saturday - Sunday
January 6th - 7th
Cliff Hangers Gun Show
Clay Co., Fairgrounds



Thanks to those brave Marines who donated their time to once again staff our display table at the Gun Show.

Most appreciated are the contributions received from the community to enhance our mission.



MODD Pound 263 Barking

Saturday, December 30th
Olive Garden Restaurant
Jacksonville, FL

Woofing down the food at the MODD Florida Pack Pound 263 annual Christmas Dinner.

Note the Pound Devil Dogs from our Detachment.

- PDD Barry Brown
- PDD Fred Gilmore
- Pup Andy Hefty
- Pup Johnny Thompson





District 3

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presents



MOBILE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27TH, 2024

Watson Realty Corp
153-1 Blanding Blvd.
Orange Park, FL 32073
0900 - 1500
Doors Open: 0830
*Registration: \$15
Deadline for Registration: January 20th, 2024
(* see Registration Form for Payment)




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New in 2024

Realistic Shooting Simulators

The Marines plan to field a new force-on-force shooting simulator in 2024 that will replace the 1970s-era technology that's reached its service limits.

Following that fielding, Marine spokeswoman Morgan Blackstock said, the Corps will then field the system to Camp Pendleton, California, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, Marine Corps Base Hawaii and Marine Corps Base Quantico, Virginia.

(source: Marine Times)



DoF 2024 Spring Conference

Saturday - Sunday
April 11th—14th
Gainesville, FL

Pound 263 along with The Gator Detachment 990, will be hosting the 2024 DoF Spring Conference in Gainesville.

(April 11th—14th)

See DoF web for details





FREE BREAKFAST

Grumpy's Grunts
Offering a FREE Breakfast to potential new members
Grumpy's Restaurant
834 Kingsley Ave
Orange Park, FL 32073
Doors Open: 0530
Breakfast: 0700

Mystery Marine?

Hometown: Lane, SC
Boot Camp: Parris Island
USMC: 30 years
MOS: 3052, 8531, 8411, 8999
Units Served: 3d Supply Bn, 2nd MAW-MALS, RS Louisville, KY-RSS Cincinnati, CLB-8, 2nd Maint. BN, CLB-3, HQBN MCBW, SOI-W-ITB, VMM-365, RS Riverside, 4th MC RD, HQBN-TECOM
Memorable Duty Station: Okinawa, JP, Camp Kinser
Hobby: Family Time, Movies, Fellowship



Last issue:
Mike Cooper



Let Us Pray!



*Jack Campbell
Chaplain*

Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servants to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us. Amen.

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

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| Don Brammer | Rusty Park |
| Jack Campbell | Del Price |
| Stacy Francisco | Herb Steigleman |
| Lee Hart | Bill Thompson |
| Gayward Hendry | Bobby Turner |
| Andy Hefty | John Van Brocklin |
| Steve Jimenez | Fred Wainwright |
| Mason Myers | Scott Westervelt |



MOTIVATION!

Any one knowing of a member or family member sick or in distress should contact Chaplain Jack Campbell as soon as possible.

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Just a reminder that this Newsletter is yours and that your articles/stories/contributions are encouraged.

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

PDD Charlie Myers

Send to:

WE WANT YOU TO CONTRIBUTE Newsletter Articles



Exercise Your Brain!

Last issue: "one is a Nickel, the other isn't—it's a Quarter!"



How many seconds are in a year?

All my life I thought air was free ... until I bought a bag of chips!



Sgt. Chuckles

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