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8th Annual Golf Tournament

Friday, November 3rd
Eagle Harbor Golf Club
Fleming Island, FL

Special Oorahh! Goes out to PDD Scott Westervelt for taking the helm on this year's Golf Tournament and driving us to a "hole in one!"

In addition, we had a strong Detachment volunteer crew turnout that joined Scott and devoted their time and efforts to make this an all out team success - Oorahh to you too!

Thanks to all of our Sponsors for their most generous contributions and support - without you this would not have been possible.

Sincere gratitude to Eagle Harbor GC for hosting our event - planning is in the works for next year - same location.

(photo album can be found on our web)



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VA Donut Day!

Wednesday November 8th
Middleburg VA Clinic
Middleburg, FL

Every Second and Fourth Wednesday our Donut Crew staffs a Coffee and Donut table at the Middleburg VA Clinic.

Around 0800 Rich Bolduc and crew are there with our "Free" coffee and donut station for visiting Veterans and their family. This is another outstanding way to connect with our Community.

So, would like to be a part of this event ?



Commandant's Corner



Good day, fellow members, can you believe we're already in December! I want to thank all of you who helped me, as your Commandant, in our mission as a MCL Detachment. Many thanks to those who have helped me at the podium and in the field. From our fund raisers like Culver's, Gun Shows and Golf and Pistol Tournaments. To our volunteering needs, to include, Color and Rifle Detail, Toys 4 Tots and VA Coffee & Donuts. Not to forget the work of our Chaplin, and his elf's, that continue to help our members who are down on their ability's. Our needed share time, the Annual Picnic and Christmas party. Our Marine who makes sure we have a Newsletter and Calander. Our traditions in being a Marine, the Marine Corps Ball. We are blessed to have so many talented and giving members, to carry on the Marine Corps League's mission.

*Semper Fi
Cmndt. Dawn Salmons
God Bless!*



Sound Off!



"The Membership Drive has been continuous, especially at the Gun Shows but seldom do we get someone interested in joining. We have the brochure of our accomplishments and goals but some potential members may just want to come to enjoy the camaraderie such as breakfast. I would like to point out to dispose of your old membership application and convert to the new membership application that was sent out membership wide approximately two weeks ago. I will bring to all gatherings a 3 ring binder containing the new form. Have a Blessed Christmas!"

*Steve Jimenez
Junior Vice Commandant*



What's in your Wallet?

**Saturday—Sunday
November 4th—5th
Clay Co., Fair Grounds
Cliff Hangers Gun Show**

Another successful fundraiser by JVC Steve Jiminez and crew.

Detachment members staffed our display table at the Cliff Hangers Gun Show and have been invited back to their January 6th and 7th show.



Photo of Saturday's Crew not available



Toys 4 Tots

**Detachment Warehouse
Clay Co., FL**

This year's "Tom 4 Toys" crew has put in hours upon hours of collecting, separating, bagging and distributing a truck load of toys and bicycles.

Oorah! Your time and service is greatly appreciated. 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!

Check your email for upcoming work dates. Contact Tom Lewnes to lend a hand.

(photo album can be found on our web)



Tom Lewnes and Blair Dolph



Inflatable Blair Doll



Veterans Day

**November 11th
Mission Barbeque
Clay Co., FL**

Our Detachment Color Guard ("CG") was called upon once again for a mission at Mission Barbeque ("MBBQ".)

Special thanks to Tammi at MBBQ for allowing us to showcase our Detachment and participate in MBBQ's tribute to our Veterans — not to forget the "Free" lunch.

Outstanding job by our SVC Fred Gilmore for shaping our CG into prime time shape.



Charlie, George, Don, Fred



Welcome Aboard!

**Wednesday November 15th
Detachment HQ
Clay Co., FL**

Our Detachment continues to grow.

Join us as we welcome aboard our newest member: **Marine Bob Shonk.**



Veterans Day

**November 11th
Camp Blanding Museum
Clay Co., FL**

The Detachment had double duty this Veterans Day.

Commandant Dawn and crew staffed our display table at this year's Camp Blanding Museum's Veterans Day Ceremony honoring our veterans.



Photo of Crew not available

Happy 248th Birthday!

Saturday, November 10th
Hill Top Restaurant
Clay Co., FL

This year's Birthday Ball was fantastic—the Detachment really knows how to celebrate our Marine Corps Birthday.

Don Oakuley has given our Detachment numerous reasons to be grateful for orchestrating such a memorable evening. Don's incredible motivation and commitment go well above and beyond—thank you! And congratulations on your MCL Distinguished Citizen Award.

Special kudos got out to our MC for the evening JA Andy Hefty.—outstanding!

The Hill Top Restaurant facility was the perfect venue to hold our USMC Birthday Ball—not to mention that the dinner and service was top shelf! (photo album can be found on our web)



Master of Ceremony
Judge Advocate: Andy Hefty



Oldest Marine: MGySgt George Smith
Youngest Marine: PFC Bryce Gonzalez

FYI

Why do other Military Branches have Birthday Celebrations?



Armed Forces Day History

On August 31, 1949, Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson announced the creation of an Armed Forces Day to replace separate Army, Navy and Air Force Days. The single-day celebration stemmed from the unification of the Armed Forces under one department -- the Department of Defense. Each of the military leagues and orders was asked to drop sponsorship of its specific service day in order to celebrate the newly announced Armed Forces Day. The Army, Navy and Air Force leagues adopted the newly formed day. **The Marine Corps League declined to drop support for Marine Corps Day but supports Armed Forces Day, too.**

(source: Department of Defense)



Christmas Party

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

Silent Auction — Christmas Games — White Elephant Gift Exchange

POC: SVC Fred Gilmore



What's In Your Sea Bag?

Have you ever bumped into a Marine Veteran and tried to put a plug in for the MCL? Then having them ask how to I apply—is there an application?

Well, you may want to have an application form in your Sea Bag which can always be found in the Semper Fi Mag.



District 3
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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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WE WANT YOU TO CONTRIBUTE
 Newsletter Articles



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.

Send to:
 PDD Charlie Myers
 (charlie@myersonline.net)

Mystery Marine?

Hometown: San Mateo, CA
 Boot Camp: Parris Island
 USMC: 4 years
 MOS: 5931
 Units Served: 3/5
 Memorable Duty Station: Vietnam as a Battalion Scout
 Hobby: Golf 73 years



Last issue: Tim Asterman
 Hometown: Union City, OH
 Boot Camp: Parris Island
 USMC: 21 Years
 MOS: 7222, 7204, 0430
 1st, 2nd & 3rd LAAM Bn, 2nd FSSG, 9th MAR HQ, LFTCant,

Let Us Pray!



Jack Campbell
 Chaplain

"Heavenly Father, giver of life and health: Comfort and relieve your sick servants, and give your power of healing to those who minister to their needs, that they may be strengthened in their weakness and have confidence in your loving care."

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

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



MOTIVATION!

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

semperdadcampbelldmd.com

904-705-8065

Exercise Your Brain!

Been cooped up too long? Can't get to the Gym? Then exercise your brain!

Last issue: **"there is no dirt in a hole!"**



Two coins add up to 30 cents. One isn't a nickel. What are they?

I don't always lose stuff, but when I do it's because my wife moved it.



Sgt. Chuckles



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