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A General Roy S. Geiger Detachment #1047

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No "mis-steak" About it!

**Detachment Annual Picnic
Saturday, September 27th, 2025
Green Cove Springs Park
Green Cove Springs, FL**

The event was blessed with good weather, creating a pleasant and inviting atmosphere for all attendees. The excellent food further elevated the experience, offering a variety of flavors and dishes that delighted everyone.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Doc, who truly embodied the "grill of our dreams." Doc's skill and enthusiasm brought the culinary vision to life, making the event both memorable and enjoyable for everyone involved.



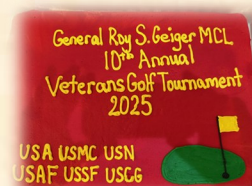
General Geiger Golf Tournament

**Friday, November 7th, 2025
Eagle Harbor Golf Club
Fleming Island, FL**

We could not have asked for a better day. The sun was shining brightly, creating the perfect conditions for a memorable outing. Golfers filled the course, bringing enthusiasm and energy to every hole.

Special thanks go out to Clary Associates for their outstanding commitment as our Head Sponsor. Their leadership and involvement played a pivotal role in making this event possible.

We also wish to acknowledge the generosity and support of all our sponsors and participating golfers. Their continued dedication and involvement have been instrumental in ensuring the growing success of this annual event. Each year, thanks to their unwavering support, our gathering becomes more impactful and enjoyable for everyone involved.



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After tournament banquet



Hard charging Golf Crew

Commandant's Corner



Greetings all,

I would like to begin by wishing everyone a very Happy 250th Marine Corps Birthday. This milestone is a remarkable achievement in the proud history of our Corps, and it is an honor to celebrate this occasion with all of you.

A heartfelt thank you goes out to everyone who contributed to the success of our annual Golf Tournament. I want to extend special recognition to Scott Westervelt for his outstanding leadership in organizing the event. Additionally, sincere thanks to all those who assisted, ensuring the tournament was a memorable and successful event.

Our Toys for Tots campaign, led by Tom Lewnes and his dedicated support team, is making significant progress. Thank you to everyone who is participating in this meaningful effort. Your contributions are bringing immense joy to children throughout the area, making their Christmas celebrations brighter and more joyful.

Thank you to our color guard for their ongoing excellence and dedication. Your representation of our detachment at the golf outing, the veterans run, and the Veterans Day event at Mission BBQ is greatly appreciated, and your commitment continues to make us proud.

George Cater has been instrumental in getting our highway clean-up efforts underway. Please keep an eye out for upcoming signup sheets and consider volunteering to help keep our community clean.

The Marine Corps Ball was held on November 8th. Thank you to Don Okuley for orchestrating our birthday celebration and everyone who attended and contributed to the celebration. For those who were unable to join us, you missed a wonderful event.

This month's meeting will take place at Watson Realty, located at 153 Blanding Blvd, on November 19th: time 1900, doors open at 1800. Mission BBQ will be providing a meal before the meeting, so please join us for both the meal and the meeting.



Semper Par
Commandant PDD Fred

Temporary meeting location change

Watson Realty, 153 Blanding Blvd., Orange Park, FL

With the commencement of the Toys for Tots campaign, arrangements must be made to allocate space for the storage and distribution of collected toys. This preparation is essential to ensure the successful organization and delivery of toys to those in need during the holiday season.



Please note that there will not be a Detachment meeting in December, as the Annual Christmas Party will be held in its place. Regular meetings at the Detachment location will resume in January.

The January meeting is particularly important, as it is the designated time for accepting nominations for the 2026 slate of officers. All members are encouraged to attend and participate in this process to help shape the leadership for the upcoming year.

Mystery Member with SVC Don Okuley?



Last issue:
Richard Klose

USMC 250th Birthday Ball!

Saturday, November 8th, 2025
Hilltop Restaurant
Orange Park, FL

In honor of the 250th birthday of the United States Marine Corps, our SVC DD, Don Okuley, took the lead in organizing a memorable evening for all attendees. The event was thoughtfully planned and executed, creating a wonderful atmosphere for celebration.

A special thanks goes to JA George Cater, who served as the emcee for the evening. His efforts contributed greatly to the success of the celebration, ensuring that the program ran smoothly and was engaging for everyone present.

The Black Creek Young Marines delivered a spectacular presentation of the Colors, adding a meaningful and patriotic touch to the festivities. Their participation was a highlight of the evening and was greatly appreciated by all.

Although the event did not see the usual number of attendees, those who were present expressed sincere gratitude for the opportunity to take part in such a fantastic evening. The enjoyment and appreciation shared by all reflected the success of the occasion and the significance of the milestone being celebrated.



Youngest Marine: Stacy Francisco

Oldest Marine: Larry Johnson

Color Guard in Action!

Friday, November 7th, 2025

**10th Annual Geiger Golf Tournament
Fleming Island, FL**

November 8th, 2025

**Oak Leaf High School 5 K
Orange Park, FL**

November 11th, 2025

**Mission BBQ Veterans Day
Orange Park, FL**

Our Detachment Color Guard, comprised of PDD Fred Gilmore, George Cater, PDD Barry Brown, and PDD Charlie Myers, proudly represented our detachment by presenting the Colors at three separate events this past weekend. Their dedication and professionalism showcased the spirit and commitment of our Detachment to the broader community.

Marching to the cadence of George Cater, the Detachment Color Guard placed a strong emphasis on esprit de corps, highlighting the pride, unity, and camaraderie that define membership in both the Marine Corps League and the General Roy S. Geiger Detachment #1047. This focus not only reinforced the shared values among members but also underscored the importance of showcasing our Detachment to the wider community. By doing so, the Detachment aims to inspire Marine veterans to consider joining our ranks, further strengthening our organization.

To commence the Mission BBQ Veterans Day event, veterans and members of the community gathered together. The occasion was marked by a moving rendition of the National Anthem, performed by Associate Member Suzanne Gilmore. Her captivating singing set a patriotic tone for the event and brought everyone together in honor of Veterans Day.



Fred George Barry Charlie



Suzanne Beth Brown

Santa's coming to Town!

**Detachment Annual Christmas Party
Friday, December 12th, 2025
Lake Asbury Community Center
Green Cove Springs, FL**



We are excited to announce that our Annual Christmas Party will be held next month. Everyone is warmly invited to join in the festivities and celebrate the holiday season with us.

If you would like to participate in the "White Elephant Gift Exchange," please remember to bring a wrapped gift to the party. This fun exchange is a great way to spread cheer and enjoy some holiday surprises with friends and colleagues.

For additional details, please refer to the flyer available on our website. We look forward to seeing you at the celebration!

Woof, Woof!

**Wolfson's Children's Hospital
Monday, October 13th, 2025
Jacksonville, FL**



Pound 263 of the Military Order of the Devil Dogs, in partnership with Culver's, demonstrated their commitment to community welfare by presenting Wolfson's Hospital with a substantial donation. This year, the organization contributed a check valued at \$12,000.

Representing the Pound were six Detachment members.



**PDD Barry - DD Rusty - Pup Jack
PDD Charlie - DD Steve - DD Rich**

Wanted:

your volunteer
hours / \$\$
send via: email,
text, call
or just tell me



DD Rusty Park

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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 (Sheila)
Bill Carter (Emily)
Fred Gilmore (Suzanne)
Rusty Park (Denise)
Herb Steigleman
Kurt Ensell (Terrie)
Lee Hart
Gayward Hendry

Scott Westervelt
Del Price (JoAnn)
Felix Ramos-Vargas
Bobby Turner
Gayle Plant (Jim)
Steve Jimenez (Robin)
Fred Wainwright



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: "An envelope."



"I have no brothers or sisters, but
this man's father is my father's
son. Who is the man?"

"If you want your wife to pay undivided
attention to every word you say, talk in
your sleep."



Sgt. Chuckles



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