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Newsletter



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JVC

George Cater

Judge Advocate

Charlie Myers Adjutant

Randy Case Paymaster Vacant Chaplain John Cicone Sgt. At Arms

Officer Nominations are here!

Nominations for Commandant, Senior Vice, Junior Vice and Judge Advocate will open at the next Detachment meeting: January 15th, 2025.

Information for the duties of the elected offices can be found on the Department of Florida's website (mcldof.org). Scroll down to the footer and link on "Professional Development Program" "Detachment Officer Positions—Duties."

Have you received the vision?

With a new year comes new strength and new thoughts. Remember that we have not come this far to have just come this far.



Veteran Affairs Voluntary Service ("VAVS")

By now you are aware that Marine Rusty Park is assisting Commandant Fred Gilmore with gathering our VAVS report for submission to the Department of Florida ("DOF")

It behooves all of us as volunteers to receive recognition for the hours we volunteer and monetary contributions we make to veterans and our community.



Rusty needs your assistance by notifying him with your monthly VAVS Report. (instructions can be found on our website under forms).

Contact Rusty directly with an email, also for your convivence Rusty will have a VAVS sign in sheet at our meetings.





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First Fundraiser for 2025

January 18th Saturday and 19th Sunday Cliff Hangers Gun Show Maxwell Snyder Armory Jacksonville, FL

SVC DD Steve Jimenez has secured a site for our display table at the Cliff Hangers Gun Show. However, Steve's personal schedule is very tight and may not be able to set up our table.

This is not only a fundraiser but also an opportunity to show case our Detachment for the recruitment of new members.

Steve needs your help to set up which means arriving a $\frac{1}{2}$ hour early on Saturday (0730).

Contact Steve: <u>brucepete18@yahoo.com</u>



Commandant's Corner



Greetings all,

First, I would like to say I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas, and I hope all will have a happy healthy New Years.

As we start this new year, we can look back at all we accomplished as a detachment. Our toys for tots was a success thanks to all who helped with Tom and Blair to make it happen.

I want to thank all who help with setup and cleanup for the Christmas party, I hope all who attended had a good time.

The Color Guard events, recruitment events, helping to clean a cemetery - I'm very proud of all of you.

With January comes the start of our nomination and election cycle. I would like to stay Commandant for another year if you all will have me. I also would like the others who are in current positions to let me know if they are willing to stay. We are still looking for a Paymaster to replace Randy unless he is willing to give it another year. We will also need a Chaplain, due to health reasons Felix had to step down, anyone who would like to step up let me know.

I would like to start planning for events for this coming year. We need to determine if we will continue to do the pistol shoot or not, also we will need someone to chair it.

We need to decide as to whether we will move to using Zeffy to streamline our dues and other things.

I would like everyone to think about other ways we can raise funds to support our detachment.

Again I am so proud of this detachment and its members, I'm am so blessed to be a part of such a great unit.

God bless be safe.



Dept of Florida 2025 Spring Conference

Thursday, 4/10/205 — Sunday, 4/13/2025 Best Western Gateway Grand Gainesville, FL Host: Gator Detachment 990

SEMPER FIDE IS

The members of the Gator Detachment 990 are proud to welcome you to the 2025 Department of Florida ("DOF") Spring Conference.

You can view and download the DOF Conference Packet from the DOF website: https://mcldof.org/

*Note the deadline for Hotel reservations to receive the negotiated discount room rates

(*March 21, 2025)



Toys for Tots Follow Up

The Numbers are in! Detachment Warehouse Orange Park, FL

Received a preliminary report from Tom Lewnes, our T4T Chair:

Toys out: 17,650

Children Helped: 5883

Total Toys moved in and out of the Ware-

house: 21,137 Thanks to all!

Tom Lewnes







Donut Days

"Where there are a dozen reasons to be happy!"

VA Clinic 2nd and 4th Wednesday (0730) Middleburg, FL

Just to start off the new year with a friendly reminder that our "Dough Boys" headed by Rich Bolduc are staffing our table at the Middleburg VA Clinic every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month with coffee and donuts for our Veterans.

Rich is always looking for a few volunteers, and yes this counts for your monthly VAVS Report.



MCL Plastic ID Cards



We just received a batch of the new Marine Corps League ("MCL") Plastic ID Cards.

Paymaster Randy Case will have them for you at the next Detachment meeting.

The new cards will display your Profile Number" which is now used to identify you as a MCL member.



Mystery Member?

Boot Camp: Parris Island Years Served: 1992—1999

MOS: 2531, Communications

Unit Served: ANGLICO

Favorite Duty Station: 29 Palms
Hobby: Hiking and Camping



Match Game

Know your Members



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√	Name	#	Hometown	Boot Camp	USMC	MOS
14	Ben Pusakulich	12	Zeeland, MI	San Diego	1968 - 1991	6019
2	Blair Dolph	7	Florissant, MO	Parris Island	1992 - 1996	2542
1	Charlie Myers	4	San Mateo, CA	Parris Island	1963 - 1967	5931
5	Chester Wilson	9	Brooklyn, NY	Parris Island	1970 - 1982	0311
11	Felix Ramos	2	Three Rivers, MI	San Diego	1977- 1980	0311
6	Frank Gicalone	11	Puerto Rico	Parris Island	1960 - 1966	311
13	George Cater	13	Jacksonville, FL	Parris Island	1969 - 1993	0311
9	Hector Ortiz	8	Milton, FL	Parris Island	1971 - 1974	3072
12	Jim Boss	14	Montrel, WI	San Diego	1988 - 1993	2531
10	Keith Johnson	1	Philadelphia, PA	Parris Island	1969 - 1975	1431
4	Mike Cooper	5	Lane, SC	Parris Island	1993 - 2023	3052
8	Rusty Parks	6	Jacksonville, FL	Parris Island	1963 - 1967	3516
7	Stacy Francisco	3	Union City, OH	Parris Island	1973 - 1994	7222
3	Tim Asteman	10	Orange Park, FL	AOCS, Pensacola	1980 - 1997	1310



Do you know a veteran who serves the Clay County community and deserves to be recognized?

Nominate them for Veteran of the Year!

Applications must be received by January 15, 2025.

Scan the QR code here with your smartphone or visit https://bit.ly/2024VetOfTheYear

for more information and to nominate your veteran.







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





FYI

The FBI has issued a warning to iPhone and Android users regarding the security of their communication as text messages between Apple and Android devices are <u>not encrypted</u> and could be intercepted by foreign hackers.



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 and Shella Brammer
Scott Westervelt
Jack Campbell
Rusty Park (Family)
Kurt Ensell and wife Terrie
Lee Hart

Stacy Francisco MOTIVATION!

John Van Brocklin

George Smith

Herb Steigleman

Steve Jimenez (Family)

Any one knowing of a member or family member sick or in destress please contact us through our website as soon as possible.

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Exercise Your Brain!

Last issue's answer: "Shorter"



"What can you place between 5 and 6 to make the outcome greater than 5 but less than 6?"

WE WANT YOU TO CONTRIBUTE

Newsletter Articles

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

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

"What's the difference between an Outlaw and an in-law? Outlaws are wanted."



Sgt. Chuckles

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