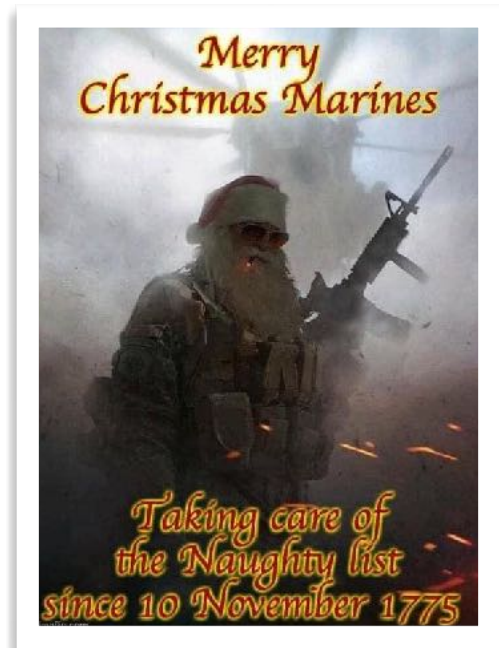


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## THE MANY FACES OF MARINES' MERRY CHRISTMAS!



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Our next meeting is scheduled for

18 January (Tuesday)

1900 (fellowship at 1830)

Steven's Restaurant

Last Month's Mystery Marine was

Ed Cooper.



Who is this Mystery Marine?

**COMMANDANT'S COMMENTS**

Hello Marines! I'm writing this two days before Christmas, and it is time for the Jarhead journal. I hope this finds everyone healthy. I sure hope everyone has a safe and happy Christmas and a wonderful New Year's Eve and NEW YEARS DAY!!

To Err is Human, To Forgive Divine  
However Neither is Marine Corps Policy

WHY WAIT?

Two friends named Sam and Bill joined the Marine Corps and were eventually sent to Iraq. While there they were put on street patrol in Baghdad, with instructions to enforce the military curfew which was in effect. There had been a lot of attacks by insurgents in recent days, so the two were told to shoot anybody who was on the streets after six PM.

One day they were patrolling their sector at twenty minutes to six, when Sam spotted a man walking on the other side of the street. Without a word, he lined up the man in his sights and shot him dead.

Bill was shocked, and said, "What are you doing Sam? It isn't 6 o'clock yet!"

" I know what I'm doing Bill, replied his trigger-happy buddy. " I know where that guy lives, and he never would have made it in time!"

Ed Mampe Commandant

Semper Fi

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**CHAPLAIN'S CORNER**

“JOY TO THE WORLD!”

“THE LORD IS COME, LET EARTH RECEIVE HER KING AND EVERY HEART PREPARE HIM ROOM”. WITH THESE OPENING LINES OF THE WELL-KNOWN CHRISTMAS CAROL, MOST OF US WELCOMED THE MONTH OF DECEMBER AND THE BEGINNING OF THE CHRISTMAS SEASON!

A JOYOUS TIME OF CELEBRATION WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

IT'S A TIME OF BOTH JOY AND SADNESS, AS WE REMEMBER THOSE PRECIOUS TO US THAT ARE NOT PHYSICALLY HERE TO SHARE IN OUR JOY.

WE REMEMBER THEM WITH FONDNESS AND LOVE. AND THOUGH A TEAR MAY APPEAR ON OUR CHEEK, THEY ARE TEARS OF HAPPINESS AND BRING A SMILE TO OUR FACES RATHER THAN A FROWN.

AFTER-ALL, TIS THE SEASON TO BE MERRY AND SPREAD JOY AND HAPPINESS.

THE REASON FOR ALL OUR JOY IS THE CELEBRATION OF THE MOST MONUMENTAL BIRTH IN MANKIND'S HISTORY! THE BIRTH OF OUR REDEEMER, OUR SAVIOR. OUR GIVER OF LIFE, THAT OF JESUS THE CHRIST!

I PRAY THAT AS YOU CELEBRATED WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS, YOU TOOK THE TIME TO THANK OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN FOR THE GREATEST BIRTHDAY GIFT HE COULD HAVE GIVEN *US!*

I PRAY THAT YOU BLESSED OTHERS THROUGH YOUR GENEROSITY AND ABUNDANCE, WHICH OUR FATHER BLESSED YOU WITH.

AND AS I PRAY FOR CONTINUED BLESSINGS FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY, MAY YOU IN TURN PRAY FOR THOSE LESS FORTUNATE THAN YOU SO THAT GOD'S MERCY AND GRACE BE WITH THEM.

THROUGH GOD'S WISDOM WE END AND BEGIN EACH YEAR WITH CELEBRATION. THOUGH WE MAY FACE CHALLENGES IN BETWEEN, WE CAN COUNT ON OUR GOD TO TAKE US BY THE HAND, AND EVEN CARRY US IN TIMES OF TROUBLES AND UNCERTAINTIES. NO NEED TO WORRY, WE'RE IN GOOD HANDS!

MERRY CHRISTMAS! 'TIL NEXT YEAR!

GOD BLESS YOU, GOD BLESS YOUR FAMILY, GOD BLESS OUR CORPS, AND GOD BLESS AMERICA!

SEMPER FI  
HANK LANDRAU, CHAPLAIN DET.801



## Message from the Sr. Vice Commandant

### **Oorah to the Best Damn Detachment #801!**

Thank you to all those members who have volunteered their time helping us to collect. You've done a great job shaking our T4T can, while our shoppers have been a bit slow to donate for the Tots. We were able to raise and donate to MACG 48 for Toys for Tots over \$6,000. Thanks to all who donated and helped collect! \_Charles Walgreen





## CAPTAIN JAMES A. LOVELL FHCC VISITS



Here's Chuck Butrim. Greg Cummings, Nada Sydow, Mary Carmody and Don Bahe.

Hello fellow Marine Corps League members. Hospital visits are still a no go. Veterans closet is still giving food and clothing away to those in need. [Click here for their website.](#)

Greg Cummings

**WELCOME  
ABOARD**



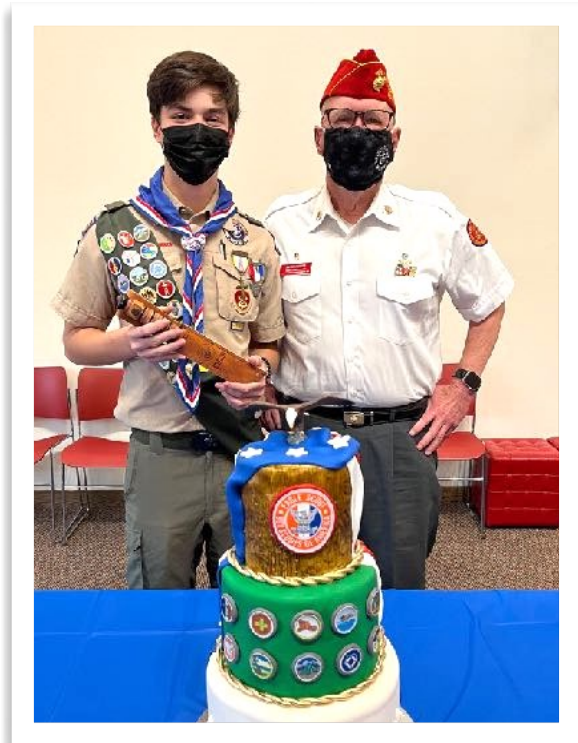
Kristian Helland III joined last meeting having served in the Navy as a Corpsman, HM3. He started his Navy career at Great Lakes in January 1988 and spent much of his four year tour at the Orlando Naval Hospital.

Kristian lives in Lake in the Hills with his wife, Lusi. He works in the automotive sales aftermarket specializing in custom wheels.





## EAGLE SCOUTS



Six Ka-Bars were presented during December. Since 1 September we have presented 22 Ka-Bars and Good Citizen Certificates. Parents continue to be creative with Eagle Scout cakes! Ten presentations are scheduled for January as of this printing.

Mel Ellingsen, Eagle Scout Chair



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and

then

“SMED”

said ....

I wish all my Marine Corps Detachment #801 Brothers and Sisters a very Merry Christmas and a safe, sane and Happy New Year. May it bring the best to each and every one of you.

I recently had the following example of “leadership” sent to me and thought it might be as interesting to you as it was to me.

### **LEADERSHIP LESSON FROM A PACK OF WOLVES**

The three in front (red circle) are old and sick. They walk in front to set the pace.

The front five (yellow square) are the strongest. They protect the front side from an attack.

The middle group is fully protected.

The five behind them (blue square) are also among the strongest. They protect the back side.

The last wolf (blue arrow) is the LEADER. He ensures no one is left behind. He keeps the pack tight and on the same path. He is ready to run in any direction to protect the pack.

Being a leader is not about being in front.

I fully concur with this.

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and

then

“SMED”

said ....

It kind of almost reminds me of a Marine Corps Rifle Platoon.



**SEMPER FIDELIS!**

Stay safe. Stay well.

See all of you next Spring.

SMED

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Jim Sroka, Ed Mampe, Warren Blacklock, Col. Jim Swab, Charles Walgreen and Joe Wallace.

The Board of Directors approved a donation to Veterans Closet of \$1,000.00 and a \$1,000 donation to Bob Stack to support the Navy Recruit Christmas dinner at Christian Leadership Academy.

A Board of Directors meeting has been tentatively for 7 January.

Every Members of Det. 801 is a Members of the Foundation.

We look forward to serving the Detachment, “the Best Damn Detachment in the Nation”.

Al Seyler  
President

***Related Military Links to Click***

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**US Department of Veterans Affairs**

**Lake County Veterans Assistance Commission**

**Illinois Department of Veterans Affairs**

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