

Marine Corps League Outer Banks Detachment #1264

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Detachment Officers for 2007:

Commandant: **Doug Wendling** Sr. Vice Commandant: John Jumet Paul Strehan Jr. Vice Commandant: Judge Advocate: Lee Baronet Adjutant/Paymaster: **Bob Messinger** John Strauss Chaplain: **Sergeant-At-Arms/Web Sergeant:** Robert Yanacek

Donations to the Detachment:

Member Tom Fentress had the Detachment Charter framed at no cost to Detachment. Thanks very much from all members, Tom!

NEXT DETACHMENT MEETING: 11SEPT07, 1900 BE THERE!

Check the **Detachment website** often: <u>www.obxmarines.com</u> Also, check Department NC website for State MCL news: www.ncmcleague.org

Definition of a Veteran:

"A veteran -

whether active duty, retired, national guard or reserve - is someone who, at one point in their life, wrote a blank check made payable to "The United States of America", for an amount of "up to and including my life." - That is Honor, and there are way too many people in this country who no longer understand it."

-- Author Unknown

What's Been Going On?

Marine Corps League, Outer Banks Detachment 1264 answered request of NC Department Revenue to produce proof of Detachment tax exmept [501c (4)] status. 23Jul07

Detachment Officer Meeting: 24 August

Announced audit of Detachment financial records to be completed October. Nomination Committee – Judge Advocate to chair a committee of 2-3 members who will contact each member regarding leadership roles in the Detachment during the month of October. There is a need for a Public Information Officer, PIO, and the committee will be looking for someone willing to serve in this critical role. Candidates for Detachment leadership positions will be announced at the November meeting; Elections at December meeting for installation at the January 2008 meeting.

Detachment Membership, end August: 31



National Marine Corps League Commandant, Jack Ryan, had cardiac discomfort on 15 August. As a result he had a triple bypass operation on 17 August. He was released from the hospital and returned home on 23 August. Cards and letters may be addressed to:

National Commandant Jack Ryan Marine Corps League P.O. Box 3070 Merrifield, VA 22116-3070

Detachment Programs/Actions/Events - These items are either in discussion among our members, staged for implementation or underway:

Recruiting Campaign – Recruiting materials available to all members. They are available on our website or from any Detachment Officer. Associate Members WELCOME! Make it an objective to recruit one new member before the next Newsletter is published!

Marines Helping Marines -

<u>Volunteer Drivers</u>: to provide transportation of fellow veterans to meetings, Detachment events, VA Hospital, airport, etc. Is your name on the Volunteer List??? If not, contact us today...

Notary Public Service: Provided at NO COST to members needing Notary services. Contact Robert Yanacek, Detachment Sergeant-at-Arms/Web Sergeant.

Community Service – Share your ideas, Volunteer to ramrod one of these projects for the Detachment, Lend a hand... Contact one of your Detachment Officers directly and/or bring your ideas to the next Detachment Meeting:

Veterans History Project [Library of Congress]

BSA Eagle Scout Program

232nd Marine Corps Birthday – This year's celebration will again be held at the Duck Woods Country Club. It will start/end a bit earlier than usual to allow for more family time after the birthday event. Mark your calendar: Saturday, 10Nov07 and plan to attend. Details and invitations out in September...

Member News:

Member Dan Robertson, recently promoted to Captain, reactivated for the global war on terror and reported to Camp Lejeune, NC. Keep Dan and his new wife, Heather, in your thoughts and prayers.

Member Frank (Dale) Draper's wife, Mary passed away 15 August 2007. Please keep Dale and his family in your prayers.

NEXT GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING:

11Sept07, 1900, Thomas A. Baum Center

Remember, 11 September is designated as Patriot's Day. U.S. Flags should be flown at half mast until sunset.

Department of North Carolina, 1st Quarter Meeting

22 September 2007 – Greensboro, NC, 1100-1530

There's a wide variety of resources available on your Detachment Website! Check it out! www.obxmarines.com

I'm The One Called "Doc"

Harry D. Penny, Jr. HMC(AC)USN Copyright 1975, With permission from <u>Doc's Locker</u>



I shall not walk in your footsteps, but I will walk by your side. I shall not walk in your image, I've earned my own title of pride. We've answered the call together, on sea and foreign land. When the cry for help was given, I've been there right at hand. Whether I am on the ocean or in the jungle wearing greens, Giving aid to my fellow man, be it Sailors or Marines. So the next time you see a corpsman and you think of calling him "squid", think of the job he's doing as those before him did. And if you ever have to go out there and your life is on the block, Look at the one right next to you... I'm the one called "Doc".

SAEPE EXPERTUS, SEMPER FIDELIS, FRATRES AETERNI
"Often Tested, Always Faithful, Brothers Forever"

The Museum of the Marine

Groundbreaking for a new museum dedicated to Camp Lejeune and the surrounding community is scheduled for this fall. Completion is anticipated sometime in 2009. It will be located on a 6-acre site in the Lejeune Memorial Gardens, behind the Beirut Memorial.

The world-class museum in Jacksonville, NC will honor the contributions and sacrifices of America's warriors, as well as the local communities that became an integral part of the sprawling base.

For more information about the Museum, visit www.mcmuseum.com or write Museum of the Marine, P.O. Box 1046, Jacksonville, NC 28541-1046. You may also call: 910-937-0033.

SEMPER FIDELIS!

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