



Marine Corps League Outer Banks Detachment #1264

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Detachment Officers for 2010:

Commandant:	Kelly Chamberlain
Sr. Vice Commandant:	Tim Gregory
Jr. Vice Commandant:	Robert Yanacek
Judge Advocate:	Doug Wendling
Adjutant:	Dean 'Doc' Tyler
Paymaster:	Bob Messinger
Chaplain:	Rick Lawrenson
Sergeant-At-Arms:	Gene Martin
Public Information Officer:	Kevin Wescott
Web Sergeant:	Robert Yanacek



NEXT DETACHMENT MEETING: 9 February 2010
The Kern Pitts Center, 5375 N. Virginia Dare Trail, Southern Shores NC



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Current Intel:

Check your Detachment Website OFTEN: www.obxmarines.com

Detachment Meeting 12Jan10

Certificates of Appreciation were awarded to the following:

Bob Messinger [and his wife Nancy] for his exemplary management of the Toys For Tots campaigns in 2008 and 2009. Bob, his fellow Detachment members and their families logged a total of 114 hours volunteer service and gathered 681 toys for local children in last years campaign.

Kevin Wescott for provision of the limousine for the Toys For Tots 2009 campaign, his son Ben Wescott's support of the campaign and his continued efforts as Detachment Public Affairs Officer.

The Town of Southern Shores [accepted by Detachment member Jim Pfizenmayer] for provision of meeting facilities for the Detachment.

New member: Please welcome Dan Hudson, Corolla, NC as the newest member of our Detachment. Dan retired from the Corps after 20 years of service and is currently an airbus pilot, flying for FedEx. WELCOME ABOARD!

Officer Installation: Department of NC District Vice Commandant, Doug Wendling, administered the oath of office to all 2010 elected and appointed Detachment officers listed above.

Commandant Chamberlain congratulated all Detachment officers and reminded members that their help is needed in continuing to grow the Detachment and performance of veteran's/community service activities in our area. Several ideas were advanced relative to such service and members were asked to indicate their willingness to provide support to the Commandant or any Detachment officer.

Veteran's Benefit Advice: The Commandant, being 100% disabled and having a great deal of related experience, advised that he would be glad to provide benefits advice to any area veteran needing it.

Marine Rose Fund Raising: Public Affairs Officer, Kevin Wescott suggested sales of Marine Roses, available at low cost through the League, by Detachment members at store fronts, etc. as a way of raising funds for Detachment activities. Members are asked to consider this idea and contact us if you would be willing to assist.

Project Patriot: Providing local Marines and their families with transportation to the VA Hospital, doctors office, grocery stores, church, etc. If you can assist with this effort, please advise.

Detachment Visibility: It's critical that the Detachment be viewed as a meaningful community service element in our community and that requires continued visibility. While the Public Affairs Officer is responsible for coordination with local media, etc. he enlists your ideas and support in those efforts. Please contact Kevin if you can assist: devildogdad06@gmail.com or phone: 252-202-8436

Marine Corps League Uniforms

The Commandant reminds all members that Marine Corps League uniforms must be worn according to the Uniform Code of the League. The only ornament allowed on your League cover is the Marine Corps emblem...no other pins are appropriate. Khaki shirts are no longer a part of the uniform. NCO 'Blood Stripe' blue trousers may be worn with the short or long sleeve 'Undress' uniforms, are never to be worn with the scarlet blazer, but may be worn with the formal Mess jacket. It's imperative that members represent the League and the Marine Corps appropriately.

Once a Marine, ALWAYS a Marine...



SIGN UP A NEW MEMBER TODAY!!!

Pay your dues promptly to continue receiving your Marine Corps League benefits

Message from the Commandant:

Fellow Marines, I am honored to be your Commandant. Let's work together to continue the good work of the Detachment in our community. The China

Marines had a phrase for it -- **當都** -- *Gung Ho* or work together. Aren't we the few and the proud?

Onward and upward! "Don't bunch up and stay off the ridge lines."

Semper Fi, Kelly

From Detachment Public Affairs Officer:

I would like to see if members and their spouse's would like to do a luncheon or dinner at a local restaurant... Our wives play a critical role in the Detachment and we should include them and support them, as well. If I get a good response, I will try to find a location that will provide a good time for all. Let me hear from you!
Kevin

RECRUITING:

Recruiting literature is available for all members. Pick some up at the next meeting or request some from your Detachment leadership. Carry recruiting info and applications in your car and never miss an opportunity to let a fellow Marine/FMF Corpsman know what we're about. Make it your objective to recruit one new member this year. Current membership is 38. **Recruiting is EVERYONE'S responsibility! Tell your buddies what they're missing....**

Check your **Detachment website** often: www.obxmarines.com

Also, North Carolina and other MCL information is available at the **Department NC website:** www.ncmcl.org Check here to read the Marine Corps League Uniform Code... If you decide to obtain MCL uniform items, wear them correctly!

National Marine Corps League website: www.mcleague.com

ALSO: Syndicated Marine Corps League News... www.ncmcl.net **[NEW!]**

Detachment Programs/Actions/Events:

Volunteer Drivers: to provide transportation of fellow veterans to meetings, Detachment events, VA Hospital, airport, etc.

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

Toys For Tots – Detachment Participation Contact Paymaster, Bob Messinger, 441-6559, messinger.b@obxmarines.com

2010 Marine Corps League National Convention

In 2010 at Koury Convention Center in Greensboro, NC the Marine Corps League will hold its FIRST National Convention ever held in the state of North Carolina. 8 - 14 August 2010 If you haven't registered to attend, please do so. Let's show our pride we have in being one of the more than 56 Marine Corps League detachments in North Carolina!

Member Businesses: We would like to place a link for any member business on our web site. Please send info to Robert Yanacek our web sergeant at webmaster@obxmarines.com. Support member's business if at all possible...

MCL Ship's Store: If you are ordering uniform items from the Ship's Store, consider joining your order with that of a buddy. It'll save on shipping costs.

" For over 221 years our Corps has done two things for this Great Nation, We make Marines and we win Battles."

Gen Charles C. Krulak, USMC 5 May 1997



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