**Tar Heel Detachment MCL Scholarship**

1. The detachment will fund an annual scholarship to a graduating senior attending a high school or equivalent, including home schooled senior.
2. The recipient pool will come from the Capitol City Young Marines or the Cary High School Jr Navy ROTC. The recipient must has been accepted into a college/university or a community college
3. The Scholarship will be awarded through the recipient’s High School to the recipient’s college or community college or in the case of a home schooled student, directly to the recipient’s college or community college. For High School recipient, the scholarship will be awarded on their scholarship night by representatives of the detachment. For the homed schooled recipient, it will be awarded as mutually arranged.
4. The detachment budgeted the scholarship as a line item in their annual budget in the amount of $500. This is to ensure a scholarship will be awarded each year, beginning FY 2013.
5. The **criteria** is as follows:

-US Citizen and resident of North Carolina

-Senior HS or equivalent who has been accepted to into a college/university or a community college

-Has a GPA of 2.5 or higher

-Outstanding in YM or JROTC program, recognizing leadership, integrity and community involvement.

-The choice does not have to be need based although it may be considered in the CO’s decision

**Prefer**: son/daughter/grandson/granddaughter of a Marine/Navy veteran.

1. The CO for the YM and/or the CO of the JROTC will make the selection for the scholarship. They will then report their selection to the detachment. It is not necessary for the detachment to approve the selection. The referring Officer will write a statement indicating why they are recommending this candidate for the Tar Heel Detachment MCL Scholarship, including the candidate’s leadership skills, community activities and integrity, among other things.
2. If there are two candidates recommended (one from the YM and one from the JROTC) the procedure will be the scholarship funds will be split in half and two scholarships will be awarded in that year.
3. The scholarship is to pay for full-time undergraduate student tuition or books.
4. The candidates will complete an application including paragraph explaining why they should be the recipient and submit it to their CO by the end of March.
5. The criteria for this scholarship can be revisited after the first year of the program.