Marine Corps League
Tar Heel Detachment # 733
March 2022

SCUTTLEBUTT

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Commandant

To Jim Mitchell for agreeing to take over editing the 733 Web Page. At 79 yrs. young … I wanted to learn. If you've looked at the website, despite Jim and Rose Ferreri's independent instruction attempts not much learning/doing happened. Rose set up our site several years ago. There has been some recent discussion regarding her return as a paid web site consultant. In fact, Tues 733 coffee attendees on 23 Mar. donated $174.00 towards the idea. Rose's Company is; eastcoastmarketinglady.com and her phone no. is: 919 412-8467. Recent Awards: Several members and their "awards" are: coffee cups with "I'm A Grumpy Old Marine" printed at the top rim of the cup that includes picture of "Chesty" our beloved Bull Dog Mascot.

An added and appropriate statement at the base of the cup is, "My Level Of Sarcasm Depends On Your Level of Stupidity"

a. Earl Linthicum: Earl has managed our Detachment Gun Show Raffles at the State Fair grounds for us for a minimum of 10 years He has managed the raising of thousands of dollars which we donate to a bunch of U. S. Marine Corps applicable charities. Notable volunteers, present and past, are: Bob Frederico, Juan Munoz, Russ Oliver, Jim Lewis, and Ed Romanowski. Juan and Bob are famous for hurling inapplicable ("mebbie not") entertaining verbal barbs at one another. At times, the more people (floor show gun raffle customers audience) in front of our booth the louder and more surgical the barbs get… The show promoter should pay us to be there…

PS; if more show volunteer's names are remembered please send them to: usmctoby1@hotmail.com

b. Gene Taxis and his wife Therese: Gene is Adjutant, Paymaster, Scuttlebutt Editor, Photographer and Organizer of Marine Corps League St. Highway Volunteer Cleanups (4 per Yr.) The site is Ten Ten Rd. The state has placed a new road sign with our MCL Det. No. 733 etc. on it.

Next Meeting Wed APRIL 6: 7:00pm VFW Cary NC

UPCOMING EVENTS.

- April 3: Eagle Scout COH United Methodist Church Academy Street Cary, NC
- April 6: Tarheel #733 meeting VFW. Cary, NC
- March 31- April 3: The Wall That Heals. Replication of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, Garner, NC 27529, See flyer below for more details

Therese helps with everything except Hi-way cleanup… FYI the current I-540 construction work dirt is now either side of our sign; stay tuned… (Related History: a volunteer w/ 733 on a highway clean up a few years ago with 733 member + Bob Peters a pair of tan nylon lady's undergarments was found in the grass adjacent to highway fence. A member engaged the elastic waistbands thereof into the twisted chain link wire stitchery. The display was not there at the next quarter's cleanup…)

c. Gunny Lewis and his wife Marilyn: My take on Jim is: he is always faithful to our Corps, to 733 and now especially to our meeting host, VFW Post 7383 in Cary. He was 733 Commandant for a shortened term due to a directed, unnecessary and unpleasant meeting outburst by a former member. Jim resigned his position at the next meeting. The former member previously had encouraged him to run to be our commandant. The former member is no longer with our Detachment 733. In addition to supervising her husband, Marilyn is a member of the VFW Post 7383 Ladies Auxiliary. She always cooks for the Post's Wed. night potluck dinners. 2 + years of Covid has not been kind to the Post's finances. The Post's roof requires replacement.

d. "Eggs Up" Coffee and Breakfast: at 4216 Lassiter Dr. Holly Springs, NC 27540: For some time a growing group of 733 members and more recently spouses have met to socialize at 1000 hrs. on Tues. mornings. Two new USMC members, Ephraim and Debbie Loranger attended on 3/22. Some have seen them at Post 7383 for meals as Debbie is a cook.

733 Cmdt. To Do List: 1. Cary HS Navy ROTC Cdr. has not returned a 2 week old phone call message to meet with T. Ashe and Cmdt.. Should we consider eliminating their annual scholarship award? 2. Should we hire Rose Ferreri to manage our website full time? 3. Cmdt. must finish the, "Grumpy Coffeee Cup" honored recipient list; Bill and Judy Cargill + John Siatta re: collecting over 9,000 Toys For Tots, Tyrone Ashe for managing state corrections to our Bylaws. There are more awardees… to document.

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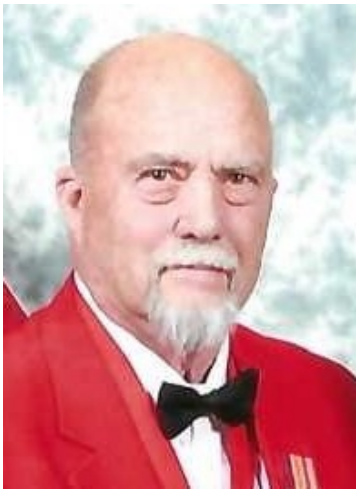
Jr.. Vice Commandant



As spring approaches and we start a new year in the detachment, it is a time when we should renew or friendships, a time when we should make new friends and cherish the memory of our old one, who have passed on before us.

My Marine friends have meant a lot to me recently. I've learned how valuable they are , caring about me, supporting me and showing a real concern over my welfare.

As we are in the Easter Season, let us remember the One who gave His life for us. There is no greater love than when He laid down His life for all of us.

As spring comes and everything starts to regenerate itself, so should we regenerate our friendships, stay in contact with each other and support one another!

Your Jr. Vice James Earl

Past Commandant John Staley, along with DVC Bill brown conducted the installation of elected and appointed officers for the 2022-2023 year. CONGRATULATIONS TO Commandant: Toby Roberts, Sr Vice: Russell Barber, Jr Vice: Earl Linthicum, SJA: Tyrone Ashe. Appointed officers Adj/paymaster: Gene Taxis, Sgt at Arms: James Lewis, Chaplin: John Saitta, Eagle Scot Coordinator: Dave Gardener.

Tarheel #733

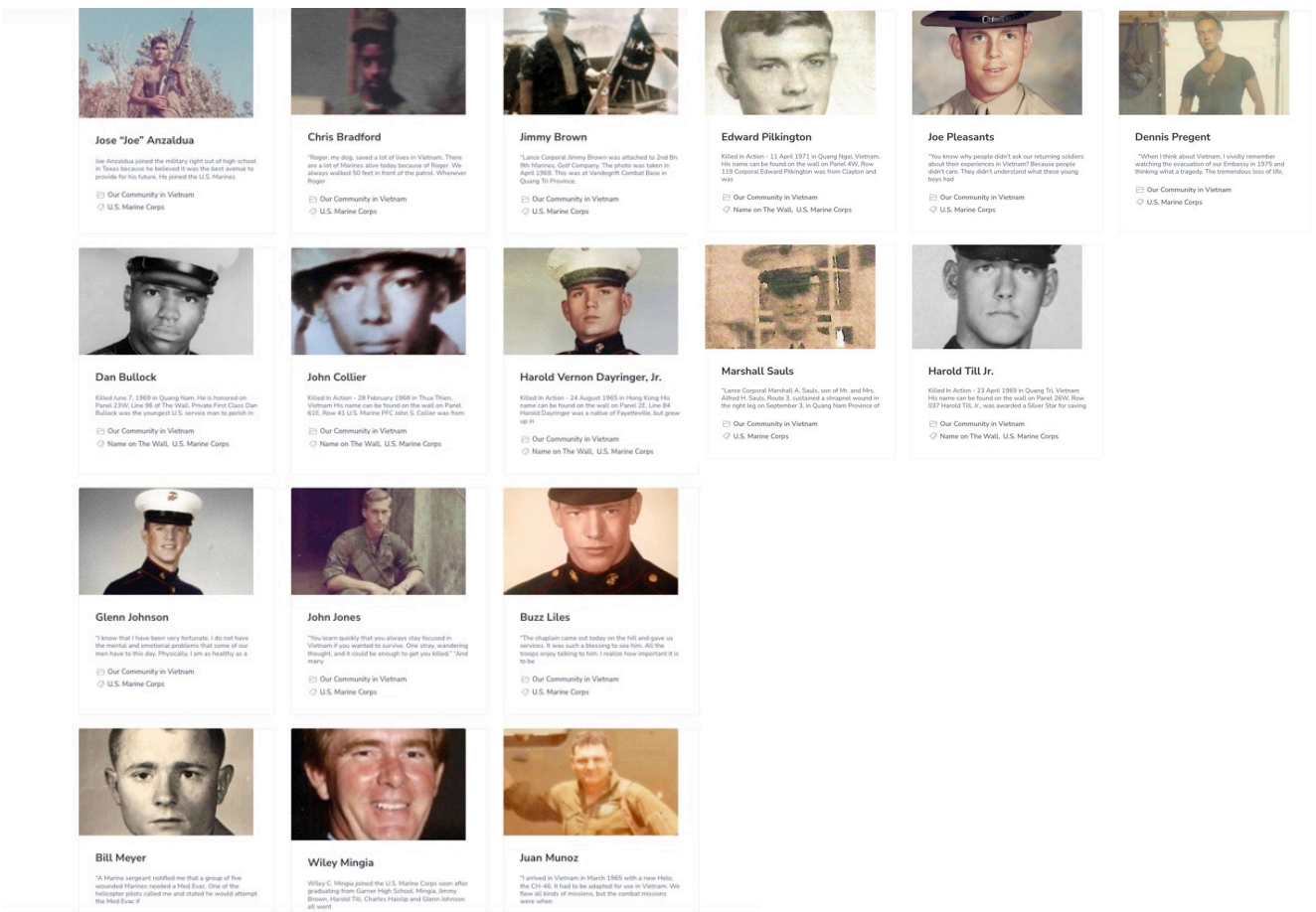
The first meeting, post COVID19, without masks. So nice to see all the smiles!

The Wall That Heals is coming to Garner's Lake Benson Park on **March 31 through April 3, 2022**. The exhibit, hosted by Show N Tell Ministries and the Town of Garner, is the preeminent traveling replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial. The Wall is a 3/4 scale replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial and travels with a mobile education center. Learn more about The Wall That Heals.

ADDITIONALLY: On April 2 at 2:00pm starting at Lake Benson Park in the Town of Garner, the organizers of the Wall want USMC Vietnam Veterans to participate in a parade led by the Marine Band and Color Guard. If you wish to participate you will be transported in a TRAM beginning at the park.

If you don't wish to ride in the parade, express your camaraderie and honor the fallen on the parade route as they pass.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JVQ75eUfOSM&t=23s



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March Historical Moments

On March 8, 1965, the 9th Marine Expeditionary Brigade landed at DaNang, Vietnam, becoming the first American ground combat troops to arrive in the country. The 3,500 men arrived both via the beach with the 3rd Battalion. 9th Marines Landing Team, and at DaNang Airfield with Battalion Landing Team 1st Battalion, 3rd Marines.

On March 11, 1778, Continental Marines aboard the Continental Navy frigate Boston sighted, engaged, and captured the British merchant ship Martha while en route to France. John Adams, who would later serve as the second president of the United States, was on the ship and attempted to join in the action on deck with the Marines, only to be sent below-deck by the frigate's Captain, Samuel Tucker, for his safety.

On March 13, 1943, the first group of 71 female Marine officer candidates arrived at U.S. Midshipmen School (Women's Reserve) at Mt. Holyoke College in South Hadley, Massachusetts. The Navy's readiness to share its training facilities allowed the group of women to begin their training just one month after the Marine Corps Women's Reserve was created.
After graduation, the women were assigned to be either staff or line officers. Staff officers had jobs similar to civilian jobs, but in a military setting. Line officers, on the other hand, lived on military stations and were charged with being responsible for the activities and training of enlisted personnel.

On March 18, 1967, the first female Marine to serve in a combat zone reported for duty in Ho Chi Minh City (commonly known as Saigon), a city in southern Vietnam. Barbara J. Dulinsky served at the Military Assistance Command, Vietnam headquarters in Saigon, providing administrative support to the Marines. Dulinsky is credited with taking a major step toward promoting women's duties in the Marine Corps.

On March 25, 1945, the assault on the island of Iwo Jima appeared to have ended after 35 days of intense fighting. However, that night, 300 Japanese troops launched a final, last-ditch counterattack near Airfield Number 2. Army pilots, Seabees, and Marines from the 5th Pioneer Battalion and 28th Marines fought the Japanese forces until morning but suffered heavy casualties. More than l00 Americans were killed and a further 200 were wounded. Almost all of the Japanese troops were killed in the battle.

On March 27, 1953, the 5th Marines, supported by the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines, counter-attacked enemy-held positions in the first full day of fighting after Chinese forces launched an assault on *Outpost Vegas* the previous evening. Companies E and F of the 2/7 managed to regain partial control of the outpost that day, despite being down to just three platoons between them. At the time, this was the bloodiest action U.S. Marines had engaged in on the Western Front.

Sean Van Pallandt
Historian

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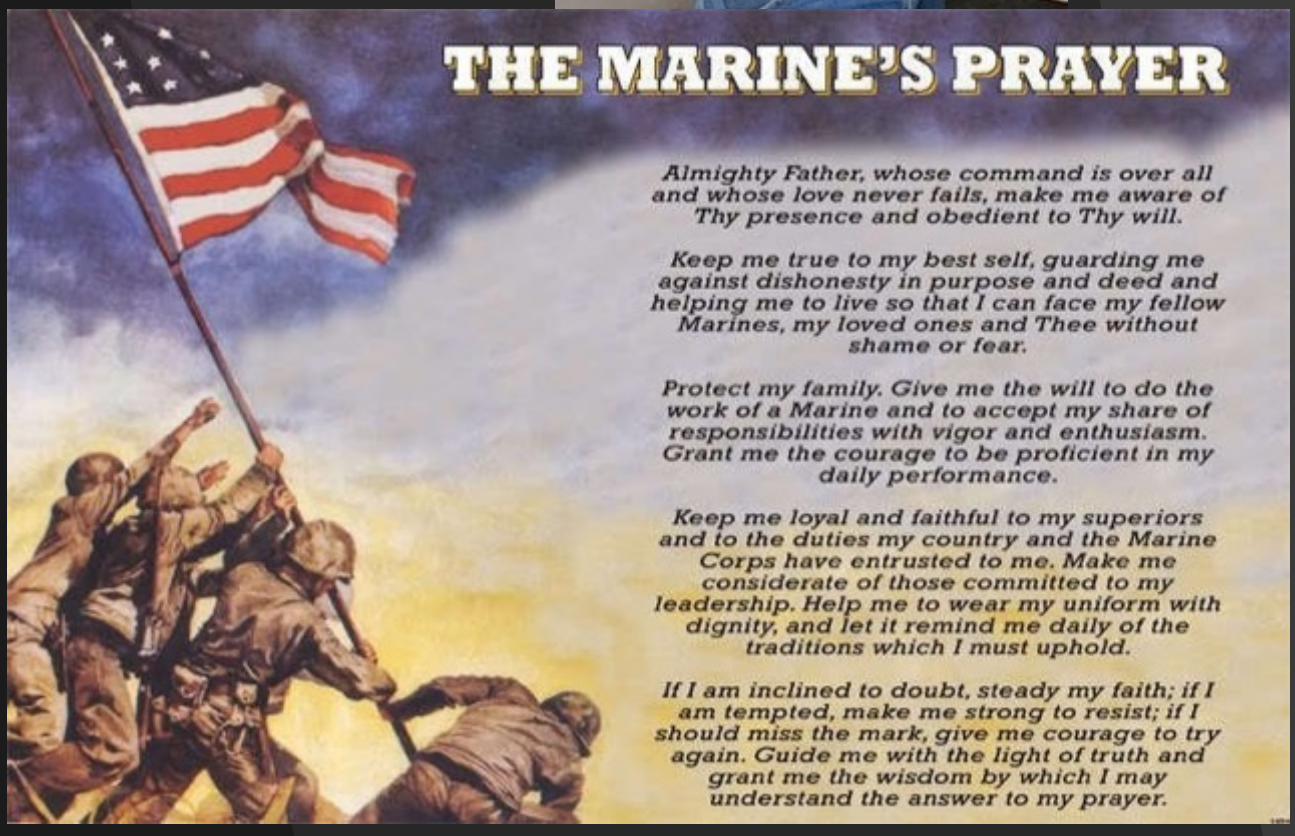
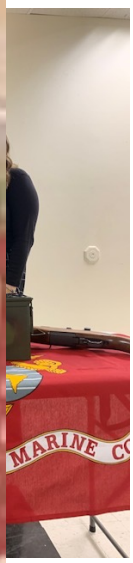
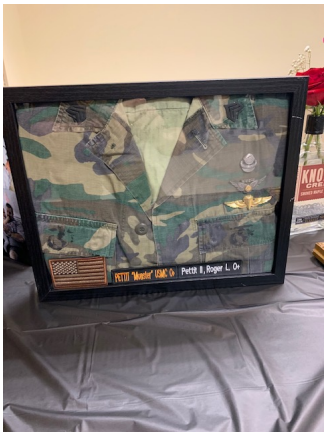
Chaplain's Corner

John Saitta





Marine Sgt. Roger Pettit honored at the VFW in Cary, NC. His final wishes were to be celebrated with friends and family. He was honored with a gun salute, presented the flag to his family, and a final roll call was done in his honor.



Farewell Sgt Roger PettIt

We will miss you.

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Court of Honor

Thanks to #733 members who attend, to award the Eagle Scouts the Frank Mansfield Challenge Coin and the Good Citizen Award

Capital City Young Marines

The Young Marines are going to visit the yellow footprints on Paris Island next month from April 19 and spend four days learning more about what it takes to become a United States Marine. They will be living under the guidance of a real live Drill Instructor for four long grueling days. We will be leaving from the VFW on April 19 on the way down to Paris Island we will stop for lunch and then continue to the USS Yorktown and then on to PI.

Capital City Young Marines

As previously mentioned, I am here to bring you an update on the Young Marines program. First off, I would like to apologize for the wait, as I'm sure many of you have been eager to start. Our Young Marines are, and will continue to be, developing efficiently, but I will keep you waiting no longer. After speaking with our (XO) Executive Officer, (TO) Training Officer, and our senior YM, I have decided we are ready to take on another recruit class. So, on **Monday, April 4th, 2022** at 1900 hours **(7pm)**, we will have an open house at the Cary VFW (**522 Reedy Creek Rd, Cary, NC 27513**) which will include all the information you should need to join and begin recruit training. The first night of Recruit Training will begin on Monday, May 2nd, 2022.

If you have any questions or concerns, you may respond to this email. Otherwise, I look forward to seeing you on April 4th!

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Thanks and Have A Great Day,
Commander Alston
Former YM/Gunnery Sergeant
CCYM Unit Commander

CCYM ADULT VOLUNTEERS

Brian Alston
Unit Commander

Mr. Alston currently serves as the Unit Commander for Capital City and is responsible for everything the unit succeeds in, or fails to do. He also assists with proper instruction during Recruit Training. He is a former Young Marine. He joined the Young Marines in 2011 and retired in June 2015 as a Young Marine Gunnery Sergeant. He became an Adult Volunteer in August 2015.

Master Chief Stokes
Unit Staff

Mr. Stokes currently serves as the unit Executive Officer (XO) and helps prepare promotion boards. He became an Adult Volunteer in 2006. He has filled the billet of XO for many years. He had one granddaughter in the program. He retired from the Navy, after 22 years, as a Master Chief. He also certified as an Advanced EMT, EMT Instructor, Fire Service instructor, and EMT examiner.

Bev Hill
Financial Manager

Mrs. Hill currently serves as the unit Financial Manager. She ensures the unit is in compliance with YMNHQ's financial requirements and handles all of the unit's financial needs. She became an Adult Volunteer in 2010. She has had one son in the program who later went on to become a United States Marine. She is also a recipient of the Presidential Volunteer Service Award.

Cheryl Alston
Unit Adjutant

Mrs. Alston currently serves as the unit Adjutant. She makes sure each Young Marine's records are up-to-date and handles all of the unit's administrative needs. She has been an Adult Volunteer since 2014 and has had one son in the program. She is also a recipient of the President's Volunteer Service Award.

Tyrone Ashe
Battalion Executive Officer

Mr. Ashe currently serves as the Battalion Executive Officer. He assists with the Battalion Commander with tasks at the Battalion level. He became an Adult Volunteer in 2014. He has filled several billets at CCYM to include Unit Commander, Marine Corps League Liaison, Public Relations Officer, and currently Recruit Instructor. He also is a former United States Marine.

Elena Austin
Community Service Officer

Mrs. Austin currently serves as the Community Service Officer. She assists with organizing service events in the community and the surrounding areas. She became an Adult Volunteer in 2021 and has one son currently in the program.

Dot Barber
Unit Staff

Mrs. Barber currently serves as part of the unit staff. She became an Adult Volunteer in 2019 and worked with Imagine School YMs in Florida. She transferred to Capital City in 2021.

MGySgt Barber
Unit Staff

Mr. Barber currently serves as part of the unit staff. He currently takes photographs for the unit. He became an Adult Volunteer in 2009 and worked with Imagine School YMs in Florida. He transferred to Capital City in 2021. He also is a former United States Marine.

Nathan Cobb
Training Officer

Mr. Cobb currently serves as the unit Training Officer. His job is to ensure proper training and development for each of the Young Marines. He also coordinates many of the unit's trips both in and out of state. He became an Adult Volunteer in 2009 and has had one son in the program who retired as a Young Marine Sergeant Major.

Donivan Fowler
Unit Staff

Mr. Fowler currently serves as part of the unit staff. He is a former Young Marine. He joined in 2013 and was honorably discharged in 2018 as a Young Marine Lance Corporal.

Ben Tim
Unit Staff

Mr. Tim currently serves as part of the unit staff. He is a former Young Marine. He joined in 2007 and retired in 2013 as a Young Marine Gunnery Sergeant.

Godfrey Willis
Executive Officer

Mr. Willis currently coordinates the YM Physical Fitness Tests, oversees all the unit's gear, and assists with additional YM training. He became an Adult Volunteer in 2018 and has one grandson who is currently in the program. He is also a former United States Marine.

YOUNG MARRINE PARIS ISLAND TRIP APRIL 19 – 22 2022

Depart: April 19
Location: Cary VFW
Arrival Time: 0600
Departure Time: 0615

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Return Date: April 22
Location: Cary VFW
Departure Time (from SC): 1200
Arrival Time: 1615

TIME	EVENT	LOCATION	RESPONSIBILITY
TUESDAY, 19 April 2022			
TBD	GROUP ARRIVAL	MCX	ESCORT
	SQUADBAY PROCEDURES	SQUADBAY	ESCORT
	BOX CHOW	SQUADBAY	ESCORT
	INSTRUCTOR/PERSONAL TIME	SQUADBAY	CHAPERONES

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WEDNESDAY, 20 April 2022			
0600-0630	PT	BN PT FIELD	ESCORT
NOTE: WARM UP EXERCISE ONLY (DYNAMIC WARM UPS/WARM UP CARD)			
0630-0700	PTRT	SQUADBAY	CHAPERONES
NOTE: ENSURE CADETS HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO SHOWER			
0715-0745	CHOW	HQSVCBN MESS HALL	ESCORT
0800-0845	IWO JIMA & DI MONUMENTS/MOLLY MARINE MONUMENT	PEATROSS PARADE DECK MOLLY MARINE MONUMENT	ESCORT
NOTE: MONUMENT IS ON BLVD DE FRANCE			
0900-1000	YELLOW FOOTPRINTS/ RECEIVING	RECEIVING	ESCORT
1130-1230	CHOW	HQSVCBN MESS HALL	ESCORT
1245-1415	BWT/CRUICIBLE OVERVIEW	PAGE FIELD	W&FTBN
1430-1600	ISMT	ISMT	ESCORT
1630-1730	CHOW	HQSVCBN MESS HALL	ESCORT
1730-1900	INSTRUCTOR TIME	SQUADBAY	CHAPERONES
1900-2100	PERSONAL TIME	SQUADBAY	CHAPERONES

THURSDAY, 21 April 2022

0545-0615 CHOW WEAPONS MESS HALLESCORT

0645-0730 MOTO RUN PEATROSS PARADE DECK ESCORT

0745-0830 MCX CALL MCX ESCORT

0900-1000 CLOSE ORDER DRILL BN AREA ESCORT

1100-1200 CHOW HQSVCBN MESS HALL ESCORT

1215-1330 OBSTACLE COURSE/ LNS ESCORT
MCMAP DEMO
NOTE: DEMONSTRATION BY ESCORT ONLY

1345-1515 CONFIDENCE COURSE LNS ESCORT
NOTE: AUTHORIZED PORTIONS ONLY (ARM WALK, ARM STEETCHER, RUN/JUMP/SWING, AND THE INCLINED WALL)

1530-1615 OBSERVE SWIM QUALCOMBAT SWIM TANK ESCORT

TIME EVENT LOCATION RESPONSIBILITY

1630-1730 CHOW HQSVCBN MESS HALL ESCORT

1730-1900 INSTRUCTOR TIME SQUADBAY CHAPERONES

1900-2100 PERSONAL TIME SQUADBAY CHAPERONES

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FRIDAY, 22 April 2022

0600 TRANSIT TO HQSVCBN MESS EN ROUTE ESCORT
HALL
NOTE: INSPECT SQUADBAY FOR CLEANLINESS PRIOR TO LEAVING FOR CHOW

0630-0700 CHOW HQSVCBN MESS HALL ESCORT
NOTE: ENSURE HEAD AND WATER CALLS ARE MADE PRIOR TO DEPARTING FOR MORNING COLORS

0730-0815 MORNING COLORS BARROW HALL ESCORT

0815-0830 GROUP PHOTO BARROW HALL PROTOCOL

0830-1000 GRADUATION PEATROSS PARADE DECK ESCORT

1015-1115 MUSEUM TOUR MUSEUM ESCORT

1130-1200 CHOW HQSVCBN MESS HALL ESCORT

1200 DEPART EN ROUTE CHAPERONE

Russell Barber, Senior Vice Commandant and Marine for Life representative as well as photographer "**extraordinaire**", attended the recent networking event with Major Chris Brennen (in the blue coat} and helped recruit members for #733.

That Faraway Look

The 'thousand-yard stare' is something I get like many other vets, that look of being someplace else where no one else is welcome.

My story started in August of 1965 when I met James Carl Dobson at the marine recruiter's office. Then, after a two-day trip on a train to Parris Island, ITR, and then orders for Viet Nam; we became good friends. He went to the 2nd Platoon, Headquarters 5th Marine Regiment and I went to 3rd Marine Division, Recon Team 22.

Early in September Jim got hit with a fragment from a Viet Cong grenade that got lodged in his neck. With a chance to go home, he decided to return to his unit. Early in October through the grunt telegraph, I got word that he would find a way to see me on my birthday so to save my beer. The team and I saved up beer in anticipation of the upcoming party. There was no need to keep it cold, it came hot and stayed that way from the can to the head.

Jim's outfit was stationed near the city of Quang Tri but were going to move up north for the hill fighting near the DMZ. I wasn't sure how he got the whole unit to move so he could come to my party, but then again there were plans for the start of a big operation in the north called Operation Prairie.

My party was the talk of the team, anything to take your mind off the real world around you. We marked the calendar and counted the days until October 17th. The lieutenant warned us that we were going to take our hangover on patrol the next day early, but he knew two or three beers a man wouldn't hurt any of us and it might even take the edge off. Our days continued as usual, patrolling the hill looking for VC, sometimes three or four days at a time.

On the morning of October 15th, I got the word that Jim's unit had come up on a North Vietnamese detachment the day before; that a fire fight had occurred, and four enemy were killed. It was the only marine battle of the day. The U.S. casualty report only said light casualties, but the official casualty roll from the Defense Department listed the name James Carl Dobson, U.S. Marine Corps. I was just mad at first that he got himself killed right before my birthday, but mostly I just cried for my friend.

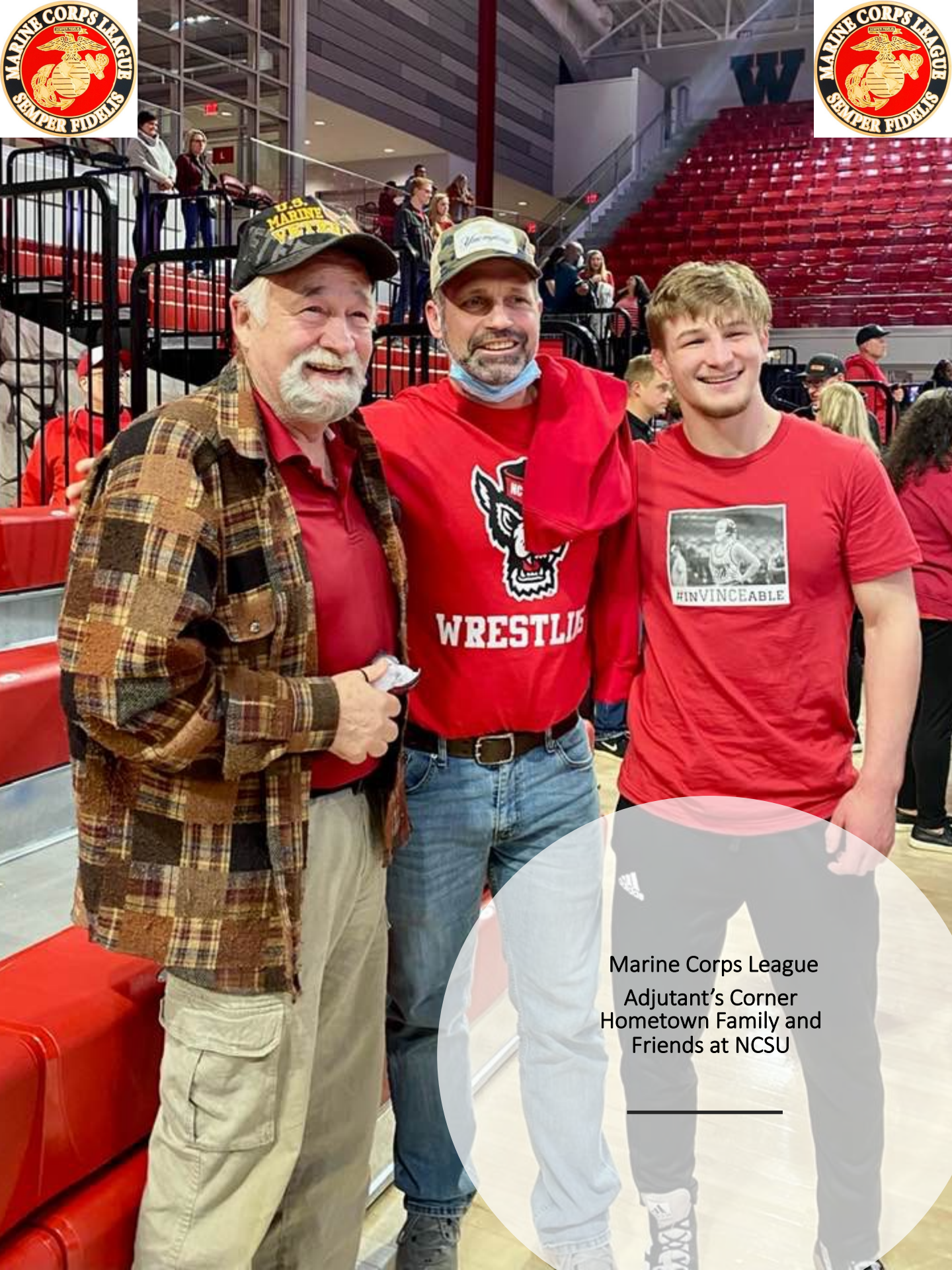
Years later, I met his stepbrother at the sheriff's office where we both went to work after retiring from our police careers. Since the two brothers had different last names, I wasn't aware at first of his relationship to my friend, Jim. When Chris mentioned that his brother had also been a marine and I told him about my birthday story that happened so long ago, we both realized that we were talking about the same person. Chris asked if I would tell my story to his mom, so I met him at Mrs. Smith's home where he introduced us and then left to give us privacy to talk about the man we both grieved; as a brother marine and a beloved son. We shared memories of Jim and I answered her questions about Jim's last days and about the war.

I still send her cards at Christmas and check on her well-being through her son and daughter-in-law, Jim would want me to. I call her on his birthday and we both have a good cry.

To this day I think about him almost every day; but October 14th , just three days before my birthday, is a time for many memories recalled. Jim will be at my birthday party every year. I wonder if our kids would have been friends, if our families would have traded Christmas cards, and would our grandkids have played together. Since Jim never had the chance to have children and grandchildren of his own, I know that my little granddaughters have a very special Guardian Angel looking out for them from his heavenly home. I tell them about him and though they might not understand the significance of having their very own Marine standing guard over them, I have complete confidence that Jim will do his duty to keep them safe.

God Bless those with the memories who wonder back to a place where you see a different time, even it if it is a thousand yards away.

Jim Lewis Sgt. At Arms



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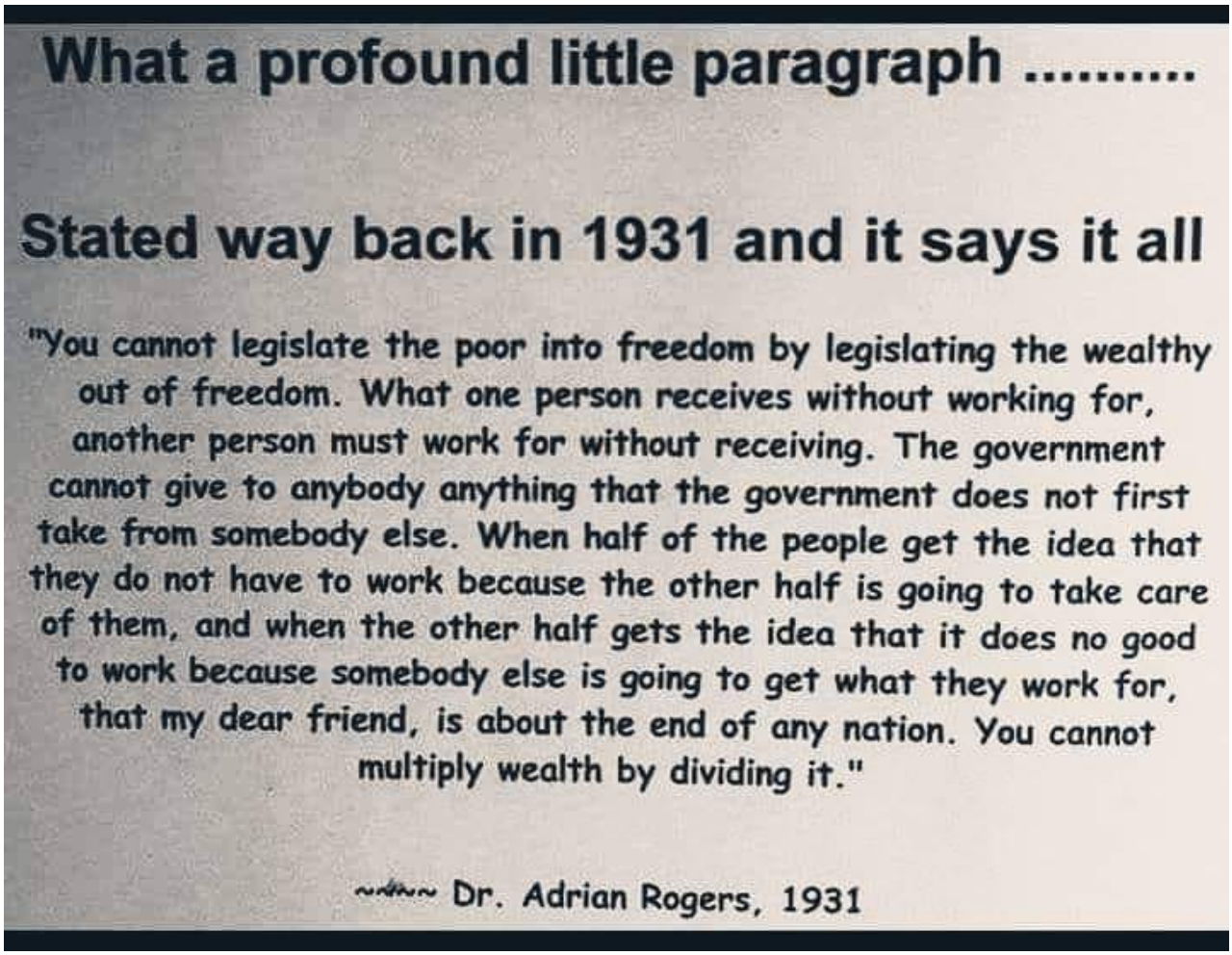
Adjutant's Corner
Hometown Family and Friends at NCSU



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Adjutant's Corner

Department of North Carolina
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Mideast Division
"Semper Fidelis"

DoNC Membership Meeting

March 18-19, 2022

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Marine Corps League members from NC met with NASCAR Rock Star Benny Parson's widow Terri Parson in Wilkesboro, NC Stay tuned for upcoming exciting news.

Scrambled eggs and Oohrah !!!!

Commandant Toby with children at the Gun Show. Thanks to all the volunteers who help Earl sell raffle tickets

2022 $10 - RAFFLE TICKETS - $10 2022

Henry Silver Eagle 17Cal. Lever Action Rifle

Features

HENRY SILVER EAGLE LEVER ACTION RIFLE

"New" 17HMR Cal. –Holds 11 rounds – 20" Octagon barrel

Weight 6.75 lbs – Nickel Plated

Fully adjustable semi-buckhorn w/diamond insert rear sight

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Toys For Tots	Marines Helping Marines
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Eagle Scouts COH	Hope for Warriors

TarHeelmcl.org for more information

Email Raffle Chmn. linthicj@bellsouth.net

The League is a not-for-profit organization within the provisions of IRS Code 501 (c) (4), with a special group exemption letter which allows for contributions to the Marine Corps League to be tax deductible by the donor. ***Must be 18 years old!***

Marine Corps League Recruitment

MEMBERSHIP

Membership requires that you are an honorably discharged, on active duty, or a reserve Marine with 90 days of service or more, or a retired Marine. This includes officers and enlisted, male and female members.

Navy Corpsmen and Chaplains

You must have trained with Marine FMF Units in excess of ninety days and earned the Marine Corps Device or the Warfare Device.

Marine Corps League
Tar Heel Detachment
733

Contact us at:
404 S. Harrison Ave.
Cary, NC 27511
tarheelmcl.org

Do you know about the Marine Corps League?
Do you miss Marine Camaraderie?
Want to make a difference In your community?

We meet the 1st Wednesday of each month
1800 social and 1900 meeting at
Cary VFW Post 7383.
522 Reedy Creek Rd.
Cary, NC 27513

Mission statement

The mission of the Marine Corps League is to promote the interest and to preserve traditions of the United States Marine Corps, strengthen the fraternity of Marines and their families, serve Marines, FMF Corpsmen, and FMF Chaplains who wear or who have worn the Eagle, Globe and Anchor, and foster the ideals of Americanism and patriotic volunteerism.

Marine Corps League Supports

Fisher House
Wounded Warriors
Battalion East

MARINE CORPS RESERVE TOYS FOR TOTS

Marines Helping Marines

NROTC - JNROTC

Hope for the Warriors

Community Activities

Young Marines

Eagle Scouts

Marine Corps League
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Marine Corps League
March 2022
Minutes

1. **Opening Ceremony:** At 1900 hours, Colors Posted and Allegiance to flag was recited.

A. Meeting was conducted at the VFW Post 7383, 522 Reedy Creek Rd. Cary, NC. 27516 by Cmdt. Russ Oliver and newly installed commandant Toby Roberts

B. Welcome to all: Total **Present 10** in attendance. No application for membership.

C. **Meeting status**: There was a quorum present.

2. Recognition of All Guests:
Spouses of members: Barber, Lewis, Munoz, Roberts, and Cargill
DoNC. DVC William Brown

3. Roll Call of Officers: PRESENT: Russ Oliver, Commandant; Earl Linthicum, Jr. Vice Commandant; Gene Taxis, Adjutant/ Paymaster; James Lewis, Sgt at Arms; Toby Roberts, Sr Vice Commandant; Tyrone Ashe, Judge Advocate; John Staley, Acting Chaplain; Pamela Thomas, President Tar Heel # 733 Woman's Auxiliary; David Gardener, Eagle Scout Coordinator.
EXCUSED: Sean Van Pallandt, Historian; James Mitchell, Web Site & Zoom coordinator.

4. Unfinished business: Russ briefed we have 14 new business sponsors for the detachment, and requests we patronize these establishments and check out their services. There is a link to each of these sponsors in the Scuttlebutt. He mentioned if anyone knows of a business that might want to sponsor, give the name and address to him and he'll contact them. Great fund raiser!

5. New Business:

A John Staley briefed the successful Paymasters audit conducted last month (Sept 2021 through Feb 2022). The audit had no major or minor discrepancies with all funds being accounted for. Also, John Staley thanked all those who participated in reviewing the books. (J.Booth, W.Cargill, J.Saitta, T.Roberts, J.Lewis, & E. Linthicum).

B. In addition to the audit it was noted a proposed budget must be presented to the membership covering the period 1 April -through 31 May of 2023; and approved to ensure funds are available to perform our mission. The proposed budget will be put on the web site "members only" and emailed to the membership provided if we have your most current e-mail address.

6. Paymaster Report: For the month of February 2022: The month of February 22 was not briefed by the Paymaster but will be inserted in scuttlebutt and posted on web site.
Check Book Balance 1/31/2022 - $ 10,687.16 - Income: $16.00 total -Expenses: $250.00 - Outstanding checks #5078 $20.00 & #5079 $5.00 ck # 5070 - $$40.00 and Ck # 5071- $10.00 dues. –Balance check book $10,453.16 - 2 CDs - earned .02 interest - CD Balance as of 2/8/22 $2,172.76 – New balance check book $12,625.92. A motion to approve this report at next month's meeting.

7. Chaplain: Do we have any reports of sickness, distress or death:

A. Richard Patrick and wife Cam continue to remain optimistic and positive, please keep them in your prayers recited.

B. Pray for all members of our Detachment who are up in age.

C. Andrew Blizzard continues to recover, however is still on a feeding tube due to throat cancer. He asks you text him rather than calling.

D. Sean Van Pallandt remains on the mend with stronger medicine. Should be driving in the next two months. "AHRUGA"

E. Earl Linthicum's granddaughter Allison has stage 4 cancer and needs prayers for strength for her, the family, and friends.

F. Judy Cargill is recovering from a shoulder injury. Pray for continued recovery.

8. Installation of officers: (Charter in place, all dues paid, Officers properly elected)

Past Commandant John Staley, along with DVC Bill brown, acting as Sgt at Arms, conducted the installation of elected and appointed officers for the 2022-2023 year. The oath of office was given; and duly sworn to by the elected and appointed officers. - Commandant: Toby Roberts, Sr Vice: Russell Barber, Jr Vice: Earl Linthicum, SJA: Tyrone Ashe. Appointed officers Adj/paymaster: Gene Taxis, Sgt at Arms: James Lewis, Chaplin: John Saitta, Eagle Scot Coordinator: Dave Gardener.
The detachment gavel was presented to Toby for his use, and as a sign of his responsibilities and duly appointed position. The new officers took their posts.

9. Assumption of Duties:

Toby assumed duties and continued with the meeting. He thanked the detachment for the privilege to serve, and also thanked and expressed the honor for the wives to be present for the installation and invited them to attend future meetings.
Tyrone then briefed that if you are hospitalized and have a disability percentage, it can go to 100% while under doctor's care. This program is retroactive.

8**. Standing Committee Reports:**

A. Jr Vice Earl Linthicum announced the start of the new raffle and said, "details and picture of the Henry rifle "silver Eagle (17 caliber, octagon barrel) will be posted in the scuttlebutt". The first gun show will be Sat 19th & 20th March. and 4th & 5 June at the State Fairgrounds.

B. Staff Judge Advocate, Tyrone Ashe briefed that the by-laws would be completed and presented to the detachment for review and approval if acceptable at the 6 April meeting.

C. Dave Gardener, the Eagle Scout coordinator has 2 courts of honor scheduled for March and April and will need help with the ceremonies. John Booth, John Staley, Jim Lewis along with Earl Linthicum said they would all help.

D. Toby briefed this year's Marine birthday celebration would be here at the VFW, 10 November 2022. He also briefed the Veterans day parade in Raleigh would also require volunteers to show the colors and our support of all Veterans. More info to follow.

E. John Saitta briefed the progress of the Memorial Day event, and said "checklist is almost complete, however, the Marine Color Guard is still in question". Gene Taxis volunteered to be this years' speaker. This year's uniform of the day will be Summer undressed, white s/s shirt with ribbons and badges, black pants, and cover.

F. Taxis briefed the Wall of Healing will be set up at Benson Park, Garner, NC. starting 3 April through 31 March 2022. Volunteers are needed to provide security the evening of 31 March 2022 from 10:00 pm. through 8:00 Am. Coffee and donuts will be provided by the Adjutant. Note: No sleeping bags allowed, but poncho liners permitted.

10. Special recognition: Toby recognized John Saitta and Bill Cargill for excellent support during the Toys 4 Tots campaign; and Earl Linthicum for his fund raising and orchestration of the rifle raffle. Toby gave him a coffee cup having a unique inscription. "Grumpy old Marine…". Well deserved.

11. Announcements:

A. Veterans Stand down. 17,18,19th March at The Cary Community Center (Downtown Cary). VA Counselors will be available for face-to face interviews, reviews, and assistance with disability issues or upgrades. Bring paperwork, dd214's and questions. There is a need for volunteers to assist with crowd and standing in line control.

B. Mid-East membership meeting 18-19 March in Wilksboro, NC. (Golf, NASCAR racetrack, blue grass music, wine tasting.)

C. DoNC Conference 13-14 May – Raleigh Crabtree Mall, Hilton (Devil dog Growl on the 13th.

12. **Marines or Navy Corpsman Killed on active duty:** None

1**3. Closing Ceremony**! 19:35.

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TYRONE ASHE		JOHN CHRISTIANSEN			ROBERT FEDERICO	SANDY MAZZU
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APRIL 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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		ED WELCH				BILL BROERE
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		JEREMEY TANK			Good Friday	
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
						RICHARD PATRICK