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MARINE CORPS LEAGUE DETACHMENT 1340
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FROM THE COMMANDANT

I wish to Thank everyone who participated in our raffle and BBQ fundraiser. We raised some much needed funds and this will allow us to operate more comfortably. Sonny took the lead on the raffle and the group made it work. This was a very successful raffle, Thank you all for your work. The BBQ was another endeavor that required an all group effort and many people joined in to help. I will not list all the people involved for fear that I would leave someone out. However, John Contos took the lead and accounted for all the tickets and assumed the title of NCOIC, in my absence. I am sorry I could not attend, but, work required I be somewhere else.

We will always have events and the next big one will be the funeral planned for August 18th, at the Arroyo Grande Cemetery. I hope to see as many Marines as possible for this burial.

Tickets are already being sold for the Marine Corps Ball and so it is never too early reserve a table.

I am very proud of you all and We have accomplished so much in the first seven months of this year. It is never too early to start thinking about our leadership positions come January, next year.

Semper Fi Marines.

George Moran



SANTA MARIA MEMORIAL DAY EVENT



Dick Mannini honored coach at the FCA HS ALL STAR football game on 6/03! He was a grunt in the Korean War, prior to becoming a football coach

Hello Brothers and Sister's,

Here is a note of a Marine who fought in Korea, and later became a Football Coach at Hancock, St. Mary's and Stanford! Our league provided color's last weekend at SMHS! Dick Mannini was a true gentleman and a Warrior!

Thanks again to Dan, Nate, Jose and Alfonso!

Semper Fi,

Rick Wilson

Hello Rick- Thank you for the photo. First I want to say thank you for all the courtesies that you and the FCA extended to me and my family. It was a few days that I will cherish fondly for a long time. My thanks to you for arranging the colors to be presented by members of the greatest fighting force known to man. Now to answer your question regarding Chesty Puller. First, Puller was a bird Colonel in command of the 1st marines when he served in Korea and was in the Chosen Reservoir campaign. He was promoted after that campaign. I was in the 7th Marine regiment, Charlie Co, 1st battalion or known to Marines as Charlie, 1,7. I did not arrive in Korea until our division was removed from Hungnam after that terrible winter of 1950. My tenure in country was from the winter of 1951-52 through the winter of 1952. I did not have the pleasure of being under the command of General Puller but I served with men that did serve under him and he was idolized by all that had that opportunity. From all accounts, he was an irreverent, brash and tough talking guy that backed up everything he said. He demanded and got the best from all the troops under his command and he treated the enlisted (grunts) with respect. The commander of the 1st Division was Lemuel Shepard. He relieved O.P. Smith, who was the great commanding general during the Chosin campaign. Two pretty damn good commanding generals. Again, many thanks for your courtesies and I hope that someplace, we shall have the opportunity to sit down and rehash our days in the Corps. It is very difficult to put on paper the experience of Korea.

SEMPER FI

Dick Mannini



DETACHMENT UNIFORM



It is requested that MCL1340 members wear black slacks, black shoes,

MCL red shirt with cover to all memorial services and prestigious events. This is so we can show a uniformed presence when representing MCL1340. The local business AD Embroidery can embroider the MCL1340 emblem on your shirts for \$15.00, located at 742 East Arctic Ave. # D, Santa Maria,

Calif.

It is also requested that MCL1340 members wear black slacks, black shoes, and MCL red shirt with cover to all memorial services. This is so we can show the proper respect when representing Marine Corps League 1340 and in showing respect to our fallen Marines.



MCL1340 CALENDER

Aug 22 MCL1340 meeting @ SM Veterans Building

Oct 21 MCL1340 @ SM Fairground StandDown

Nov 4 MCL1340 Marine Birthday Event @ SM Radisson Hotel

Dec 1 MCL1340 Toys for Tots Campaign begins

Honorary Members of MCL1340

The following individuals have been awarded Honorary Membership into Marine Corps League 1340 Chapter due to their continued support, community service and in the upholding of our Marine Corps values and traditions:

Bob Hatch; Danny Macagni; State Senator Sam Blakeslee; Victor Cardial WWII; (posthumously); Donald Wick, WWII (posthumously); Paul Spiese, WWII (posthumously); Michael Clayton; Maggie Espinoza; R. Lee Ermey



MEETING MINUTES AND INFORMATION



In addition to our monthly ScuttleButt Newsletter being published electronically, our meeting minutes will also be posted electronically. MCL1340 now has its own webpage. Visit www.MCL1340.org today. If you wish to receive issues of the *ScuttleButt*, please Email romanrae@comcast.net

The staff will also attempt a three month cycle to our meetings. The cycle would revolve around meetings with a Guest Speaker, Special Event and our traditional Business Meetings. Our hope is this cycle of meetings will improve meeting attendance and member involvement.



VISIT OUR WEBSITE: WWW.MCL1340.ORG

Marine Corps League, Detachment 1340's Marine Birthday Ball event is November 4th, 2017



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FROM THE SR. VICE-COMMANDANT

This is the July Scuttlebutt and with each edition the board tries to write an inspiring opinion hoping to encourage enthusiastic participation of league events. We continue with our monthly meeting, planning those events, with the hope our members secure the success which we strive for. Well this time I want to ask some questions of all the members who actually read these accounts. Ask yourself, what did you expect of the league when you committed to become a member, what was your expectation of the league in helping you to support your pride as a Marine.

Do you expect more of the membership in providing that fellowship? What can we do to strengthen our bond? Are we what has been implanted in all of us the Few, the Proud, or simply put, the Elite. Or are we just another Veterans Organization. Feel free to contact me and let your opinion be known; it's your input which will help to insure this league "MCL 1340" can maintain its internal health, because each of you are the heart of this body.

Semper Fi

John Contos

Senior Vice Commandant MCL 1340



VetSuccess

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Information regarding Agent Orange and its affects on the service member:
www.publichealth.va.gov/exposures/agentorange/

To obtain a free copy of your DD214, go to this certified online site:
www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/index.html

Medal of Honor recipient, Dakota Meyer has endorsed the Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation: www.dakotameyer.com/

Members wishing to donate to various organizations can check their validity at:
www.charitynavigator.org/

Women Veteran's wanting to know more about their options in healthcare and benefits can obtain information by going to: www.publichealth.va.gov/womenshealth/

Expanded employment protection for wounded warriors and disabled veterans:
warriorcare.dodlive.mil/2012/03/07/recent-amendment-expands-employment-protection-for-wounded-warriors-disabled-veterans/

Gulf War Vets with undiagnosed illnesses have five more years to qualify for disability compensation: www.va.gov/opa/pressrel/pressrelease.cfm?id=2239

The VA telephone hotline to provide emergency support and resources to homeless veterans: 1-877-4AID VET: www.nepva.org/files/VA%20Announces%20New%20Hotline.pdf

Transition your skills to the civilian workforce: www.dot.gov/veterantransportationcareers/

Military Exposure Information: www.publichealth.va.gov/exposures/





MCL1340 Community Information



Future Members

of MCL1340 are welcome to come to our monthly meetings (4th Tue. Of the month) at the Santa Maria Veteran's Building @ 1830

Contact S. Lopez @ romanrae@comcast.net

MCL1340 Coins are still for Sale for \$10



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This year's MCL1340 Marine Corps Ball will be November 4 (Saturday) 2017
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MCL1340 hopes to serve at ceremonial and burial events for Marine services and veteran events. If you are interested in supporting this honor guard, contact:

John Ready or Dan Cadena





FROM THE JR-VICE COMMANDANT

Marines and associate members,

We had our June meeting and had a great turnout. Now the fun begins!

Our annual barbecue is coming up Saturday, July 22, and it will be at the Vets Center on West Tunnel. We will need your help. The work begins now and we need as many volunteers as possible.

The cook for the event is lined up, now we need a team to help for the preparation of the chicken and getting the supplies lined up. If you can give us a hand please do. Although it is a lot of work we still have a great time. I look forward to seeing all of you there. Bring your barbecue gear on!

The Marine Ball is also lined up and it sounds like it will be a great one this year. Please contact Sally Edwards if you can give a hand. Sally always does a great job and puts in a lot of effort. The more volunteers we can get to help out, the better the Ball turns out.

Immediately after that is Toys for Tots. Soledad and I will need a number of volunteers to set up events, get boxes out and collect toys. Who said life is boring!! Our Toys for Tots have always been successful, but only because of those who volunteer. The children of the community depend on us to complete the mission.

Each one of us has a passion and we each have a talent. Help us make this unit the best one on the central coast by helping out where you can. So bring the beer and the gear and get ready to make this a great year! OOOOHRAAAH! Semper Fi!



Dan Cadena

Junior-Vice Commandant



VETERAN CONTACT INFORMATION

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VA Health Care Benefits:	www.va.gov/health/aca	877.222.8387
California Veterans Benefits Office:		916.364.6500
Santa Maria VA Clinic		805.354.6000
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Suicide Prevention Hotline		800.273.8255
Call center for Homeless Veterans		877.424.3838
Veteran/Military Business Association	www.vamboa.org	
California Dept of Veterans Affairs:	www.calvet.ca.gov	
TriWest Healthcare Alliance (TRICARE)	www.triwest.com	
Veterans and Families	www.veteransandfamilies.org	
California ESGR	www.caesgr.org/	
Vietnam Veterans of America	www.vva982.org	
California League	www.mclcal.org	
Marine Corps League 1340	www.mcl1340.org	
National Resource Directory	www.nationalresourcedirectory.gov	
Women Marines Assoc. CA-11	www.centralcoastwomenmarines.com	
Suicide Prevention Coordinator	Jan.Capaccioli@va.gov	805.354.6095
VA Caregiver Support	www.caregiver.va.gov/	855.260.3274
National Burial information		866.826.3628
MCL1340 VSO Liaison, Jose Alvarez	javar73@calpoly.edu	



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VETERANS CHOICE PROGRAM (VCP) PHONE LINE IMPOSTER

FACT SHEET
APRIL 27, 2017

VCP Phone Line Imposter

It has come to VA's attention that a phone line has been set up by an unknown party to potentially "mimic" the VCP phone line. This imposter phone line may be intended to reach Veterans who inadvertently dial the VCP number incorrectly.

We want you to know that we are taking this seriously and to keep you aware of the steps we are taking. VHA Office of Community Care (VHA CC) has reported the "mimic" line to the VA Office of Inspector General for a possible civil or criminal investigation.

"Mimic" Phone Line

The phone line established to "mimic" the VCP phone line is 1-800-606-8198. You know you have reached the wrong VCP phone line when:

- The phone line offers callers a \$100 rebate *if* the caller provides a credit card.
- The phone line does *not* state the caller has reached U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs or the VCP phone line.

Be aware that this phone number incorrectly confirms callers had reach the VCP *if the caller asks that question.*

VCP Phone Line

The correct VCP phone line is 1-866-606-8198. This line is for Veterans to check their eligibility for the VCP and ask questions about the program.

If you are unsure if you have reached the correct phone line, hang up and dial 1-866-606-8198 again. The phone line will state the called has reach the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.



U.S. Department
of Veterans Affairs

April 27, 2017

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Marine dog with cancer gets tear-filled farewell



MUSKEGON, Mich. — Hundreds of people in Michigan came together to salute and say a tear-filled final goodbye to a cancer-stricken dog who served three tours in Afghanistan with the U.S. Marines.

Cena the black lab received a hero's farewell Wednesday before being euthanized at a museum ship in Muskegon and carried off in a flag-draped coffin. Cena was a bomb-sniffer for the Marines until his retirement in 2014. He

then became a service dog for Lance Cpl. Jeff DeYoung, Cena's first wartime partner. Cena was recently diagnosed with terminal bone cancer.

DeYoung organized the celebration for the dog. He says he wanted to take his dog on one last ride in a topless Jeep before Cena was put down. The Jeep was decorated and named "Cancer Response Team."



FROM THE JUDGE ADVOCATE

Leaguers, the following article is taken from the National Bylaws, Article six, Section 600 – Membership Eligibility:

ASSOCIATE MEMBER – Those individuals not qualified for regular membership in the Marine Corps League who espouse the principles and purposes of the Marine Corps League as contained in its Congressional Charter may upon application to a Detachment, or to the National Headquarters, be accepted for associate membership in the Marine Corps League. Associate members, upon acceptance, will pay dues in the same amounts as prescribed for regular members, including initiation fees. A membership pin and membership card, indicating “Associate Member,” will be issued by National Headquarters. The appropriate uniform and cover, including an ornamental device and lettering will be designed by the National Uniform Committee. An associate member shall be entitled to the rights, privileges, and benefits of a regular member, unless otherwise prohibited. Such member shall not vote on a membership application, and election of officers, or hold an elective office. A Detachment, or a Department may by provisions in the By-Laws and/or Administrative Procedures allow an associate member to vote on its internal affairs provided such vote does not affect a policy of the Marine Corps League.

(1) Individuals who are serving or have served in other branches of the Armed Forces of the United States must have served honorably.

(2) Individuals applying for Associate Membership subsequent to August 11, 1995, must have reached the statutory minimum age for enlistment into the United States Marine Corps or United States Marine Corps Reserve prior to being enrolled as an Associate Member.

If you have any questions, or concerns please feel free to contact me, and I will attempt to address any unanswered questions you may have regarding an Associate Membership. I would also like to take this opportunity to extend a heartfelt thanks to all of our Associate Members for the services they are rendering. As a member of the Detachment, you are a critical to its overall functional capabilities, and instrumental in the successes we have achieved. Thank You. Semper Fidelis, and I hope to see all of you at our next General Membership meeting. Dave Rendek. Judge Advocate.

Dave Rendek





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Dues renewal information

As adopted by the Board of Trustees at the 2017 Spring Conference in Clovis, the Department of CA dues will be waived for yearly members with expiration dates of 4/1/2017 thru 8/1/2017. These members will still need to pay the reduced amount of \$10.00 to National. All members will be receiving a 9/1/17 expiration date and National will no longer be sending out renewal notices so it will be up to the Detachments to notify their members when they need to pay dues. Once a member has the new 9/1/17 expiration date, the dues go back to the regular amount of \$20.00 to National and \$9.00 to Department.

Members who expired prior to 4/1/2017 will still need to pay the \$9.00 Department dues and the appropriate National amount. If you are uncertain please send me an email or give me a call.



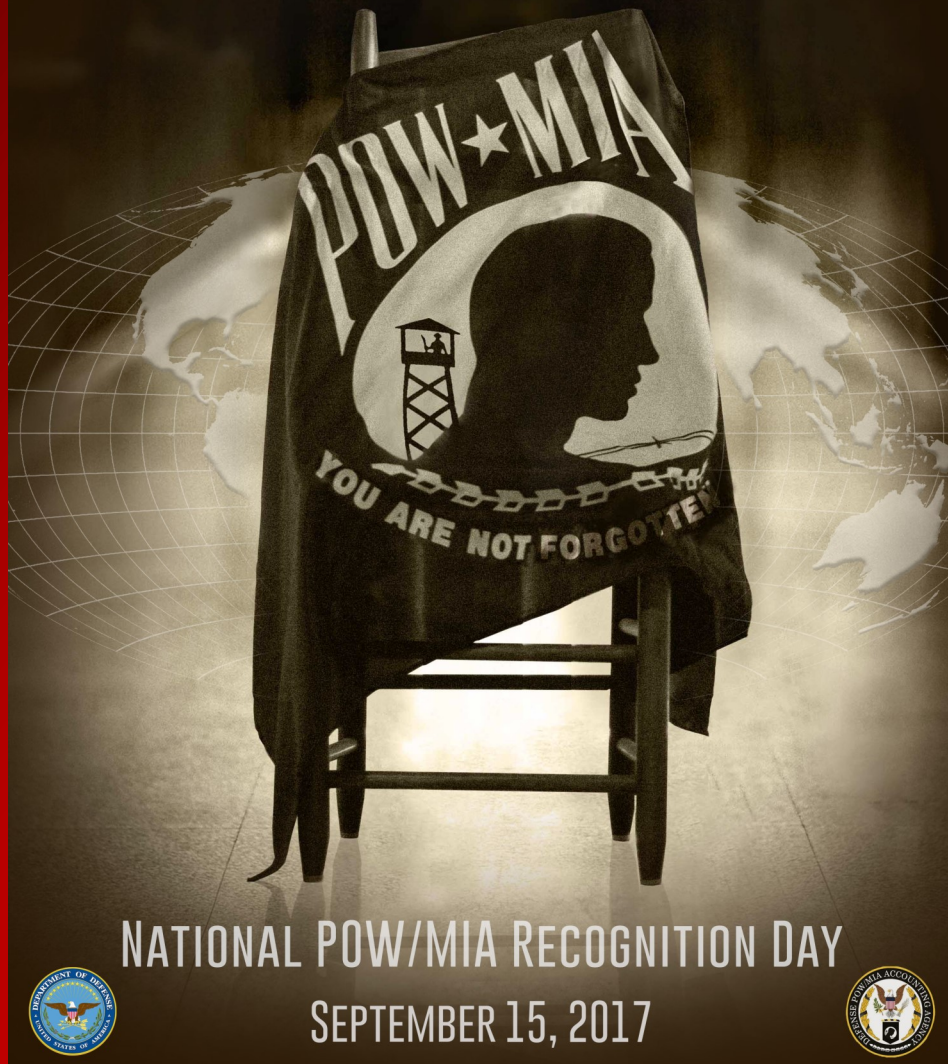
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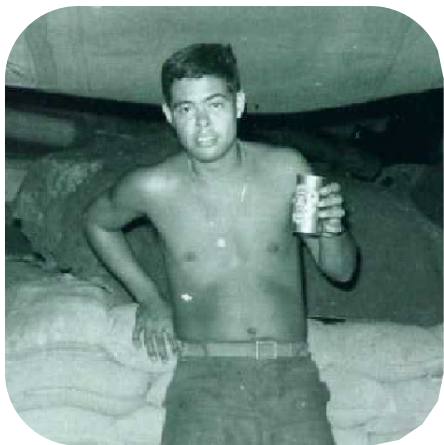
Founded in 1923 by Lieutenant General John A. Lejeune, the Marine Corps League is the only federally chartered Marine Corps-related veteran's organization in the United States.

OUR QUEST....



You are always Welcome to Attend.
The next MCL1340 meeting is the 4th Tuesday of the
Month at 1830 (6:30 p.m.)
**UNLESS DIRECTED, ALL MCL1340 MEETINGS WILL BE AT
THE SANTA MARIA VETERANS BUILDING
313 W. TUNNEL STREET, SANTA MARIA, CA 93458
Contact: Commandant George Moran (805) 732-0256**

FROM THE PAYMASTER'S DESK



Our bills are paid and we have seen an upward climb of our bank balance. It is at \$8,000.00 approximate and will go higher based on final sales of the Shotgun raffle.

Our agenda continues to be busy and we are now less than 30 days from the fundraiser barbecue. I hope everyone participates and makes this an event whereby everybody lends a hand and gets acquainted with our fellow Marines. This event is hard work, yet, it can be fun. So I urge all marines to join in and help the detachment make this a successful event. I know it is summer and I know everybody is busy, but, an event like this is important to the continuing operation of our Detachment.

Our raffle will be conducted on the day of the barbecue, sometime about 2:00, after all the clean-up is done. The barbecue guys are generally done by noon and so the raffle will follow shortly. There are tickets still avail for this worthy cause.

I would like to Thank Sally Edwards and John Contos, as they have attended to ticket sales for the Marine Corps ball and barbecue sales, respectively.

It is this kind of sharing responsibilities that has enabled me to continue my duties as Paymaster for the detachment.

Sonny always makes the meetings fun, by his raffle. To see a bunch of Marines eagerly await the drawing of raffle tickets is totally amazing and pure enjoyment. I have to believe that detachment members show up strictly for the drawing. I love to see the laughter and smiles from the group. Funny group, great job ,Sonny!!!!

A warm welcome to our new Marine transferring from Missouri, Gary L. Stamper. He served from 1966 to 1969 and is a Viet Nam Vet. He currently resides in Lompoc and has shown me his lifetime membership metal name card. Welcome aboard Marine.

That's it from me, with the July 4th Holiday looming ahead, I would ask everyone to use caution on the road.

Semper Fidelis,

Armando moreno

PS Remember to pray for all our Men and Women in uniform, that suit up and show up everyday, as we all did, to protect the nation and it's citizen's, nationally and around the world. God Bless!=



Photo caption: Marine Corps Ball 2015 with Mike Maldonado. He was in Viet-Nam with me in 1967 and now lives in Nipomo.

Armando Moreno



THANK YOU SUPPORTERS

On behalf of Marines, associate members, family members and friends, Marine Corps League Detachment 1340 would like to thank the community of Santa Maria for their support in two recent fund raisers, one being a raffle and the other our annual chicken BBQ on July 22 of this month. We could not have reached our goals without the support of our local Elks lodge, which provided beans and firewood. They have always been there for us and we are grateful for their continued support. To the City of Santa Maria, Parks and Rec Division, for allowing us to use the facilities at the Vets Hall. It was necessary for us to start our preparations on Saturday morning and a representative from Parks and Rec showed up to open up all the appropriate areas at 6:00 am, which was extremely beneficial to our BBQ team. Thank You for that!

I would like to mention that at our Vets Memorial event we were accompanied by other Veteran's Groups, who set up their booths and passed out information pertinent to all Veteran concerns. Some of the groups were "Band of Brothers", "Women's Marines Association", and "Welcome Home Veterans." We appreciate their support for our event and all Veteran causes.

The men and women from Marine Corps league Detachment 1340 is a community based entity and utilizes whatever funds are donated to support other veterans groups, Toys 4 Tots, and scholarship programs. We have a tax ID number and we are considered a non-profit organization under 501(c) (4) of the IRS code.

Our next event and this is the big one for all Marines and their families. Our Detachment is currently making preparations to celebrate our Marine Corps Birthday on November 4th, at the Radisson Hotel, here in Santa Maria. I would encourage all Marines, past and present, to make the time and join us in fellowship in celebrating our time honored traditions, as they have been conducted in the last 200 years. No other branch in the armed forces celebrates, as we do, and the simplicity, and elegance of our event will leave you with memories to be cherished forever. Our contact phone number will be available at the Radisson for your use.

Semper Fidelis Marines,
Armando Moreno





July BBQ Fundraiser



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AKIKO 1950 *(from our Warrior Poet)*

She was petite
And only came up to my chest
When we struggled with the Tango
In the Japanese night club.
She was stunning in the collared
Ankle length slit skirt Chinese silk dress
I bought for her.

She cocked her head and gave that smile
As we emerged from our separate lockers
And nakedly joined the people in the communal hot bath.

She giggled when I departed for the
Army PX to get beer and Suntori in a kimono
With flannels underneath
And Jap-Flaps on a cold December day
And later gathered with the elders in the house
And did my picto-gram talk .

Akiko awoke to my murmmmering;
My tossing and turning.
Three things she thought;
War, hunger or poontang
And quietly left the room:
Returned again silently
And kissed me awake on
My shoulders and neck;
Presento-- --the steak , eggs and whisky
And the promise of other pleasures
As she nursed away combats
Mental and physical scarring
By her touch and the searching
Of her coal dark eyes
And hesitant smile
At our awkward love talk.

She went to Kobe,
To the ship with me
When I left for home
With 1700 other war-fucked marines.
There was a long embrace and lingering final kiss.

Sometimes I wonder if
I left my planted seed in her in Kyoto---and TARO existed.

Ken Kennedy veteran



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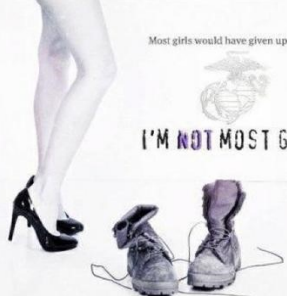
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Stackable Grenades: Hooah!



The U.S. Army is testing out a new type of hand grenade being referred to as stackable, although the actual connectivity brings to mind the methods used to connect cylindrical Legos. They're called the Scalable Offensive Hand Grenade, and they far out-perform the standard fragmentation grenade. It's their connectivity giving them this ability: soldiers can simply connect – or “stack” – the grenades one atop the other, creating chains up to three in length. And, of course, with each connection comes greater firepower.

Live-fire testing was recently carried out at Fort Benning, Georgia, where a lot of the fun explosions and jumping from planes seems to take place. Testing took place during the annual Army Expeditionary Warrior Experiment (AEWE) at the Maneuver Center of Excellence, and by all accounts it went well.

The grenades are canisters with threaded, circular necks capable of screwing into the matching threaded hole found at their base. There is a method to connecting them, though; there's a specific base grenade with a 3.5-second fuse, which cannot be removed. Both the base grenade and connecting grenades contain 0.25 pounds of explosives within their bodies. When the maximum three modules are connected and detonated, they're capable of an impressive display of power, as was demonstrated at Benning when one such grenade creation took down an adobe one-room building all by itself.



There's actually never been a live-fire portion at the AEWE before; this was the first year such testing was carried out during the event. And although the Army hasn't decided yet whether or not to include the new grenades as part of their arsenal, at least the explosives were given a chance to be seen in action. Including live-fire testing means weapons that might otherwise be ignored are seen by officials, so maybe they have a chance. One thing's for sure, these are some awesome explosives, and one can only

begin to imagine the potential manuals and calculations created regarding how military brass might like to see soldiers implement them. It would, after all, need to be added to grenade training. Just think of the many ways these could be deployed...



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From the book, Hue 1968, written by Mark Bowden, the caption reads " Marine Lieutenant Rich Horner's platoon pinned down on Tran Cao Van street."

Further in the book, it reads" Horner was considered by his men to be too brainy to be a real marine officer. He was from Illinois after earning an engineering degree at Bradley University in Peoria, He had gotten a job in California for North American Aviation, working for the moon project. He had literally been a rock scientist . The job came with a military deferment, but Horner, feeling a patriotic tug and a need for more excitement in his life, had entered the marines." He earned the nick name "Wrong way Go Far, " after misreading a map, while working with Fox company. Lt Horner was wounded by rocket shrapnel, while he was on a tank trying to recover his dead and wounded. He had directed tanks to move up close enough to make recoveries because one of the tenets of the Marine Corps is you never leave a fallen man behind.

Captain Rich Horner, we are proud of your service, your sacrifice, and to have you as one of our Marine brothers in our Detachment.



Excerpt authorized by Capt. Rich Horner

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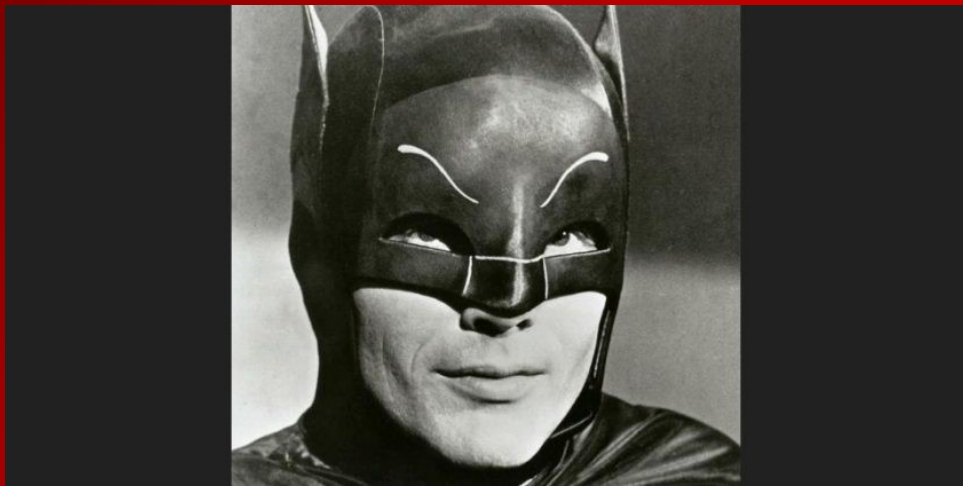
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Adam West, was drafted into the Army in the early 1950s



The 15 Marines and one Navy corpsman killed on July 10, when a Marine Corps KC-130T Hercules aircraft exploded mid-air over Mississippi



A Medal of Honor recipient who was later called a “one-man Marine Corps” died on Wednesday at the age of 92, the Idaho Statesman reported.

Art Jackson, who served with the 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines, 1st Marine Division, was one of 28,000 Marines who took part in the two-month long of Battle of Peleliu during World War II.

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Information



David Taylor Jr.

<http://read.bi/2vHdi9Q>

On Monday, the Department of Defense released the names of those killed in a June 10 insider attack in Peka Valley, Nangarhar province, Afghanistan: Army Sgt. Eric M. Houck, 25, of Baltimore, Maryland; Army Sgt. William M. Bays, 29 of Barstow, California; and Army Cpl. Dillon C. Baldrige, 22 of Youngsville, North Carolina.

The soldiers were assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 3rd Battalion, 320th Field Artillery Regiment, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) and Company D, 1st Battalion, 187th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), at Fort Campbell, Kentucky.



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