

2015 New Bern Conference Edition



When we announced last year that historic New Bern, NC would be the site of our 2015 annual conference, several folks asked why? **Unless you have been hiding under a 6x6 truck, you would know that we now are trying to go where Marines are. What better than New Bern - 20 miles from Cherry Point and about 30 from Camp Lejeune.** Also, with most of our CCs and Combat Camera Marines now attached to Marine Expeditionary Forces (MEFs), it is reasonable to expect that many of our East Coast Marines will be able to attend our annual Distinguished Performance Awards Banquet Wednesday evening.

President Manny Pacheco and your Board of Directors are offering a tentative conference agenda that should appeal to all.

“As we did at Oceanside last year,” Pacheco said, “our visit to Camp Lejeune will give everyone a good idea of what our warriors are preparing for. Also, we will again ‘adopt’ as many CCs and ComCam Marines as we can get for a luncheon at a dining hall.

“On Wednesday, Col. Sean Gibson, Chris Cox and LtCol. Brian Thompson will give us the latest on Corps happenings.

Members should note that the annual Business Meeting, normally held on “get-away” has been moved to Wednesday afternoon, freeing up Thursday morning for an address by Joe Galloway and our New Board Meeting.

Tentative 2015 Conference Schedule

Sunday - August 16

Early bird arrival - No scheduled activities

Monday - August 17

1030: Registration begins
1400: Old Board Meeting, USMCCCA
1600: Board Meeting, USMCCCA Foundation
1800: Welcome Reception
2000: Hospitality Suite Open

Tuesday - August 18

0830: Bus ride to Camp Lejeune
1000: MEU Op Brief, Amphibious Vehicle Demo
1130: Adopt a Marine Lunch (active duty CCs, ComCams)
1300: Visit Beirut Memorial, return to hotel
1900: Hospitality Suite Open

Wednesday - August 19

830: Welcome: President Manny Pacheco

Wednesday (cont.)

History Update Proposal & 2016 Conference Plans
Dave Biesel, St. Johann Press
Jack Paxton, Exec. Dir.

1000: State of the Corps:
Col. Sean Gibson, MCCD Public Affairs
Mr. Chris Cox, MCCD Combat Camera
Lt. Col. Brian Thompson, MCCD Combat Camera

1300: Annual Business Meeting
1430: Afternoon open
1800: Pre-DPA Banquet Reception
1845: DPA Banquet: Keith Oliver, Emcee
2200: Hospitality Suite Open

Thursday - August 20

0800: Sayanora Breakfast:
Address: HLM Joe Galloway
New Board Meeting
1000: Conference Adjourns

Dedicated Members (thru 5-10)

Dub Allen

Mike Arnold

Rodney Ayers

Malcolm Barr

Anita Best

Dan Bisher

George Chrisman Jr.

William S. Clark

John Dodd

Kevin Doll

Michael Furgal

Joe Galloway

Don Haley

Bill Hauptfleisch

Jenny Holbert

Steve Illes

Roland Jarrell Jr.

Eddie Kafafian

Virginia Kyser

Cynthia LaJenesse

Dr. Re McClung

Don Parzanese

Sally Pritchett

Joe Skymba

Gene Smith

Theresa Sousa

Chuck Tyler

Walt Ford

Florida's Golf Outing a Success

In spite of a change of golf courses, an increase in fees and a diminished field of golfers, the 11th annual Foundation (Florida Chapter) Golf Tournament May 1 a success.

Florida Chapter President and Tournament Director Red Carpenter reported that," in spite of a lot of setbacks, we still managed to raise approximately \$4,000 for the Foundation."

He indicated that the money will go to the Injured Marines Semper Fi Fund, Oceanside, CA and to the Foundation scholarship funds.

Carpenter said the tournament had to be moved from its previous site at Ridgewood Lakes to the Sanctuary Ridge GC in Clermont due to contractual difficulties. "That move probably cost us a

dozen or so golfers that would have normally signed on. Also, when we have a May tournament we also have to consider that many 'snowbirds' have already headed north."

"Considering we are the smallest existing chapter in the Association our small group of workers do a herculean job in running the tournament. Gene Smith, Tournament Director of the Champions Tour, comes through every year with loads of golf gear that enables us to make a profit from our auction. We also could not do it without the help of Allen Moore, Hank Ehlbeck, Jack Paxton and our wives.

"I would also be remiss if I did not thank Col. Mary Reinwald, Editor, Leatherneck Magazine for her great assistance each year and to Heineken USA for the product we are able to offer our golf-



The Champs: The first place team (l-r) are Lee Wilmot, Patrick Carpenter, his Dad Red, Bobby Murphy and Chris Woodford. Red presented the trophies and was not a team member.



The Runners-up: Second place (l-r) Mike Harris, Shane Willis, Red, and his son-in-law, Marc Barry.

DPA Sponsorships

Your Foundation Board voted in 2014 to increase the amount given our first place DPA winners from \$75 to \$100.

To fund this increase the Board increased the cost of a sponsorship from \$200 to \$225.

Please keep this amount in mind when you make your check out to the Foundation for this year's winners.

It remains well worth the money!

ers at no cost."

(Ed. Note: It should be noted that our Tournament Chair's son, **Patrick Carpenter** and son-in-law **Marc Barry** travel from North Carolina and Virginia, respectively, to play in the annual tournament each year. Both have played in all 11 events).

Director Slate for 2016-17 Filled

Nominations for the two vacant Director positions have been filled. All officer positions are uncontested so there will be no absentee ballot necessary this year.

2015 Booster Club

Silver

- Mike Arnold
- Ralph Austin
- Cochise Cash
- George Chrisman
- Don Coleman
- Art Detman
- Walt Ford
- Sergio Jiminez
- Tom Kerr
- John Kloczkowski
- Don O'Neal
- Manny Pacheco
- Jack Paxton
- Sally Pritchett
- Gene Smith

Note:

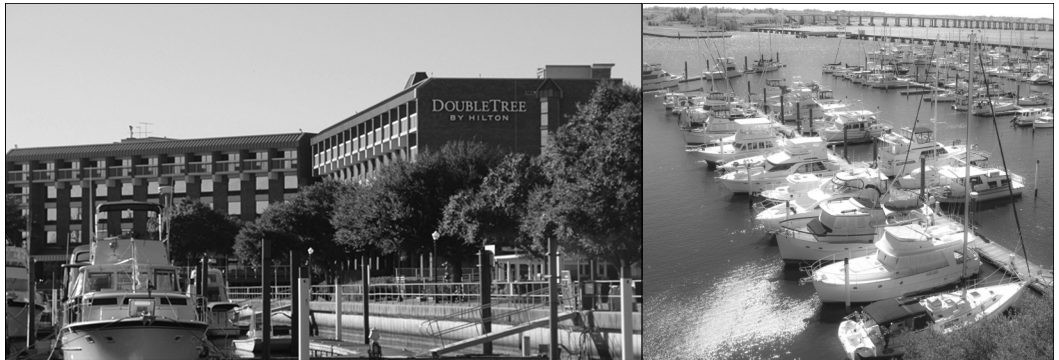
Booster Club contributions can be made and designated for the Scholarship Fund.

Dedicated Member Campaign

The annual Dedicated Member campaign is in full swing. If you did not receive a mailing, contact CCHQ.

Both Booster Club and Dedicated Member contributions made by check should be made out to the USMCCA Foundation

Why New Bern? Why Not?



Your host hotel is the DoubleTree by Hilton with great views including the yacht basin.



Historic Tryon Palace and beautiful gardens was North Carolina's first capital

Sample Driving Directions to New Bern

(In order to be sure of your driving directions we suggest checking AAA or Mapquest)

FROM POINTS NORTH

Take **I-95 South** towards Rocky Mount, NC.
 At Wilson, NC, take **Exit 119A for US-264 East** toward Greenville/ US-117
 Go 5.1 miles and take **Exit 43C to merge onto I-795 South** (Alt/ Bypass US-117 S) toward Goldsboro. Follow 21.1 miles, then take **Exit 87A to merge onto US-70 E** toward Kinston.
 Go 0.7 mi and take a **slight right onto ramp for the US-70 East-Bypass /US-117-Bypass N/ US-13 N**. Follow 0.2 mi, then **merge onto US-70 E / US-117-BYP N/US-13 N**, then follow US 70-East past Kinston all the way to New Bern, around 30 miles.

FROM POINTS SOUTH

Follow **Interstate I-95 North** to Smithfield, NC. **Take Exit 95 for US 70-BR-East. Merge onto US-70 E** which will take you straight to New Bern.

FROM POINTS WEST

From the west (including TN, KY, OH, Charlotte, Winston-Salem, Raleigh), **follow I-40 East** to Raleigh-Durham and pickup US 70 E all the way to New Bern.

FROM POINTS SOUTH

Follow **Interstate I-95 North** to Smithfield, NC. **Take Exit 95 for US 70-BR-East. Merge onto US-70 E** which will take you straight to New Bern.

Airlines Serving New Bern

New Bern has a sparkling new regional airport that is served by both Delta and U. S. Air Airlines.

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Wildwood, FL 34785

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Leesburg, FL 34748
Permit No. 8505

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2015 Annual Conference Registration: New Bern, NC Aug. 16-20

(Note: We are hiring a bus that can only seat 37 passengers for the 2015 Conference. The bus will take us to Camp Lejeune on Tuesday, August 18 for a tour and demonstration. The fee for the bus is included in your registration fee.)

It is imperative that you make your registration as soon as possible so as to secure seating on the bus. It will be a "first come, first served situation" due to the size of the bus. You need to indicate seats needed on the bus.

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For more topical news we invite you to visit www.usmccca.org.

Conference Registration - \$80 Per Person

Name(s): _____

Address: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____

Arrival Date: _____ Departure Date: _____

Bus Seats: _____ Amount paid: \$ _____

Credit Card Information:

V/MC: Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____

3-Digit Code (Reverse) _____

Note: The easiest way to register for the conference is to go on-line to www.usmccca.org and fill out the information. You do not have to have a PayPal account to do this. Just enter your V/MC credit card info and you are home free.

Registration deadline: August 1.