

Scuttlebutt



MILITARY SEA SERVICES MUSEUM, INC.



Nov/Dec 2021



John Cecil

A message from the President

The Museum has had a great month. Sebring AF JROTC Col. Mark Colbert and 12 of his cadets have reinitiated visits to the Museum on Thursdays. Fred Carino and his crew are preparing for the Veterans day parade in Lake Placid. The Museums Fleet will sortie down to Lake Placid on the eleventh of November 2021. All who wish to be in the parade are invited to ride along. Photos in the next scuttlebutt.

The Museum has hired a Multimedia Specialist to produce a video tour of the Museum. When completed it will be on our website, hopefully in January 2022. Museum members had a wonderful Sunday Italian dinner created by members Maryann La Morte and Keith Braden on the 4th Of October.

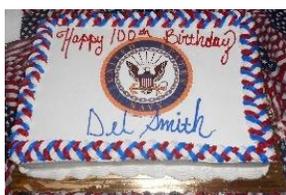
The Museums monthly BOD meeting are held the second Wednesday of the month at 1630(4:30pm). All members and guest are invited to attend.

Museum Happenings

It's not every day that someone turns 100!



Former Navy Lieutenant Del Smith celebrates his 100th with his family at the Military Sea Service Museum on 9/15/2021. From L to R, daughter Cindy, Del, daughter Cathy, granddaughter in law Jessica, great granddaughter Jennifer, & grandson Jacob. The 4 generations enjoyed cake and ice cream, listened to Sea Stories, and enjoyed the camaraderie of the many members and guest who attended to wish Del many more.



United States Air Force



Retired Master Sergeant's Paul Manrique (L) and David Fearnley (R), prepare to cut the cake celebrating the 74th birthday of the United States Air Force on 9/18/2021. Custom dictates that the youngest and oldest of the service present, cut the ceremonial cake.

MSGT Fearnley (oldest) originally from Troy NY spent 22 years on active duty while MSGT Manrique (youngest), originally from Cedar Rapids IA served for 20. Museum president John Cecil acted as Master of Ceremony, while member Mike Borders led a brief Q&A session on the origin and assorted names given to the service until it formally became the United States Air Force.

246th Navy Birthday



A cake and ice cream social was held at the MSSM on 10/13/2021.

Capital Improvement Donation



MSSM President John Cecil accepts a \$6,000 check from benefactress Linda Duncan.

4.5 acres of mahem and trepidation? No, not really.

Ever have the desire to run around on the deck of an aircraft carrier with millions of dollars' worth of screaming jets & whirling propellers surrounding you. You would not be able to hear, so hand signals would be in use and the color shirt and vest worn would tell all what you are supposed to do.

Everyone that serves on the flight deck has a specific job:

Jersey Color Crew Responsibilities

Yellow

- Aircraft Handling Officer
- Catapult and Arresting Gear Officer
- Plane Director



Green

- Catapult and Arresting Gear Crew
- Visual Landing Aid Electrician
- Air Wing Maintenance Personnel
- Air Wing Quality Control Personnel
- Cargo-Handling Personnel
- Ground Support Equipment (GSE) Troubleshooter
- Hook Runner
- Photographer's Mate
- Helicopter Landing Signal (LSE)



Red

- Ordnance Handler
- Crash and Salvage Crew
- Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD)
- Firefighter and Damage Control Party



Purple

- Aviation Fuel Handler



Blue

- Trainee Plane Handler
- Chocks and Chains (Entry Level)
- Aircraft Elevator Operator
- Tractor Driver Messengers and Phone Talker



Brown

- Air Wing Plane Captain
- Air Wing Line Leading Petty Officer



White

- Quality Assurance (QA)
- Squadron Plane Inspector
- Landing Signal Officer (LSO)
- Air Transfer Officer (ATO)
- Liquid Oxygen (LOX) Crew
- Safety Observer
- Medical Personnel



At present, only the United States and France have commissioned nuclear aircraft carriers. Air wings embarked on US carriers usually consist of, FA-18E Super Hornets, F-35 Lightning II's, E2C Hawkeyes, EA-18G Growlers, C2A Greyhounds, & MH-60 Seahawk Helicopters. There will be 4,600 officers & enlisted personnel aboard, plus 90 aircraft, helicopters, and unmanned combat aerial vehicles.



USS Langley CV 1



USS Gerald R. Ford CVN 78

Current Nuclear Aircraft Carriers

CVN 68 USS C. Nimitz

70 USS C. Vinson

72 USS A. Lincoln

74 USS J. Stennis

76 USS R. Regan

78 USS G. Ford

CVN 69 USS D. Eisenhower

71 USS T. Roosevelt

73 USS G. Washington

75 USS H. Truman

77 USS G.H.W. Bush

Proposed

CVN 79 USS J. Kennedy

80 USS Enterprise

*** 81 USS D. Miller**

82 USS tba

Fleet entry

2022

2027

2030

2034



*** Doris "Dorie" Miller** (October 12, 1919 – November 24, 1943) was a United States Navy cook third class who was killed in action during World War II. He was the first black American to be awarded the Navy Cross, the second highest decoration for valor in combat after the Medal of Honor.

Marines take Note

245th Birthday = 10 Nov 2021

The first U.S. Marine Corps was comprised of hard-hitting hairy-chested men of the merchant service. John Paul Jones is credited with the idea of recruiting seamen from trading and fishing vessels to fill the ranks of a sorely needed company of sea-sailors. From all accounts they were hard to train and tough to handle. They scoffed at discipline, jeered at the idea of saluting, and thumbed their noses at martinets. They handled their muskets as though the weapon were capstan bars, and their parade formations were a nightmare to the drill instructor. But they proved their mettle in many a blistering sea-battle and left a heritage of loyalty and courage which still burns brightly as a beacon to guide our modern "Devil Dogs".

The design for the modern marine officer's sword is practically a duplicate of the weapon which was presented to William Eaton by the Bey of Tripoli, for his services in destroying the power of Barbary pirates.

"Dead Marines" is a slang-term coined at a banquet aboard ship in his honor, The Duke of Clarence ordered the removal of the empties, saying "Take away the dead marines". A major of marines asked haughtily "Why nickname empty bottles after my honorable corps?" "Because replied the ready witted Duke, anxious to give no offence, "they are fine fellows who have nobly done their duty, and, if filled once more, would be willing to do so again."

"Leather Necks" was earned by U.S. Marines in 1812 when stiff leather bands were sewn into their collars to ward off sword strokes.

Marines often pin their next promotable rank onto their uniforms as motivation. They usually hide it in their cover, or under a pocket flap.

"The Marines' Hymn" is the oldest official anthem of any U.S. military service.

President Andrew Jackson (in office 1829-1837) wanted to abolish the Marine Corps, thinking it no longer necessary.

The license plate of the Commandant of the Marine Corps reads "1775".

The first Marines enlisted at Tun Tavern in Philadelphia, which is considered the birthplace of the Corps.

Ed McMahon, Drew Carey and novelist Robert Ludlum (who wrote the Jason Bourne books) all served in the Marine Corps.

November 2021

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
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7 DST Ends	8	9	10 	11 	12	13
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28 	29	30	 <p>On November 10, the U.S. Marine Corps Birthday honors the history, values, and memory of our heroes who have served, and rekindles the bond which unites generations of Marines. The day celebrates traditions of the Marine Corps with profound respect, paying tribute to the heritage of this distinguished service.</p>			

December 2021

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			MSSM Board Mtg 1630			
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		<p>The USS Arizona Memorial, at Pearl Harbor in Honolulu, Hawaii, marks the resting place of 1,102 of the 1,177 sailors and Marines killed on USS Arizona during the Attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941.</p>				

Humorous Quotes

Remember, today is the tomorrow you worried about yesterday.

Dale Carnegie

Light travels faster than sound. This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.

Alan Dundes

When I die, I want to die like my grandfather who died peacefully in his sleep. Not screaming like all the passengers in his car.

Will Rogers

Politicians and diapers must be changed often, and for the same reason.

Mark Twain

The difference between stupidity and genius is that genius has its limits.

Albert Einstein

Better to remain silent and be thought a fool than to speak out and remove all doubt.

Abraham Lincoln

If you could kick the person in the pants responsible for most of your trouble, you wouldn't sit for a month.

Theodore Roosevelt

I have not failed. I've just found 10,000 ways that won't work.

Thomas A. Edison

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