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 Trustees: George Copeland  
           Frank DePaul  
           Frank Jurkiewicz  
 Squad Leaders:  
           Dick Ratliff  
           Matt Pulfer  
           Walter Golladay

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**26 Marine Heroes Presented With Medal of Honor Flags**

By Cpl. David Revere, USMC

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 Article Source: [www.defenselink.mil](http://www.defenselink.mil)

MARINE BARRACKS WASHINGTON, D.C., Aug. 4, 2006 – Twenty-six Marine heroes were honored at a Medal of Honor flag presentation ceremony here yesterday.

A crowd of more than 1,000 friends, family members and patriotic spectators watched as Marine Commandant Gen. Michael W. Hagee and Sgt. Maj. John L. Estrada, sergeant major of the Marine Corps, presented flags to 16 Medal of Honor recipients and family members of 10 other Medal of Honor recipients.

"On behalf of all Marines, thank you for your service and example for the thousands of Marines that followed you," Hagee told the recipients. "Your legacy is these Marines."

Both houses of Congress approved the concept of the Medal of Honor flag and President George W. Bush signed it into law in October 2002.

The Medal of Honor flag commemorates the sacrifice and blood shed for freedom and emphasizes the Medal of Honor's place as the highest award for valor that can be given to a U.S. military member. The flag's light blue color and white stars match the colors found on the Medal of Honor ribbon.

At the ceremony, each MOH recipient or family member accepted a flag from Hagee. As Vietnam War MOH recipient former Sgt. Maj. Allan J. Kellog Jr. was presented with his flag, the final presentation of the evening, the crowd gave the honorees a standing ovation.

Cpl. Amber T. Chavarria, a Marine Barracks Washington protocol non-commissioned officer who assisted in presenting the flags, said she felt proud just to be in the presence of such heroic individuals. "It's hard to describe how it feels being a part of this," Chavarria said. "These gentlemen did so far above and beyond what they were asked, and they did it in order for me to be able to do my job."

"Being in the presence of these Marines is a once-in-a-lifetime experience," Lance Cpl. Sean J. Sorbie, a training NCO, said. "I am proud just to have been a part of it."

The parade ceremony concluded with the Marine Drum and Bugle Corps' playing of the "Marines Hymn" and a pass in review. The pass in review brought the crowd to their feet as nearly 200 Marines of the oldest post in the Corps saluted.

"Nobody does it up like the Marine Corps," said World War II veteran Jack H. Lucas, who was awarded the Medal of Honor for actions against Japanese forces on Iwo Jima. "To have these young men here in our presence -- it just rejuvenates this old heart of mine. I love the Corps even more knowing that my country is defended by such fine young people."





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## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

### SIGNIFICANT EVENTS IN 2006

Jan 18: Regularly Scheduled Meeting  
Feb 15: Regularly Scheduled Meeting  
Feb 20: Presidents Day  
Mar 15: Regularly Scheduled Meeting  
Apr 19: Regularly Scheduled Meeting  
May 17: Regularly Scheduled Meeting  
May 20: Armed Forces Day  
May 29: Memorial Day  
Jun 14: Flag Day  
Jun 21: Regularly Scheduled Meeting  
Jul 8: Detachment Shootzen Fest I  
Jul 4: Independence Day  
Jul 19: Regularly Scheduled Meeting  
Aug 8: Detachment Marine Robert Landacre  
passed away  
Aug 16: Regularly Scheduled Meeting  
Aug 20: Iwo Jima Photographer Joe Rosenthal  
passed away  
Sep 11: "9/11" Remembrance Day  
Sep 15: POW / MIA Recognition Day  
Sep 20: Regularly Scheduled Meeting  
Oct 13: Navy Birthday  
Oct 18: Regularly Scheduled Meeting

Oct 20: Clint Eastwood Film  
*Flags of our Fathers*  
Oct 21: Detachment Shootzen Fest II  
Nov 7: Election Day  
Nov 10: Marine Corps Birthday  
Nov 11: Veterans Day  
Nov 15: Regularly Scheduled Meeting  
Nov 23: Thanksgiving  
Dec 2: Toys for Tots  
Dec 7: Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day  
Dec 20: Detachment Christmas Party  
Dec 25: Christmas Day

### COMMITTEES:

Listed below are the chairs and members of committees currently planning activities that impact the detachment. If you have an interest in participating in a committee or have recommendations, please contact the committee chair:

**Uniforms:**

Terry Consider (398 - 1385)

**Shooting Events:**

Terry Consider (398 - 1385)

**Membership:**

Chris Schott (398 - 6797)



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**MINUTES OF AUGUST MEETING**

The 117th regularly scheduled meeting of the Chosin Reservoir Detachment was held on 16 August 2006 at the VFW in Morrow beginning at 1900 hours.

A roll call of officers revealed all were present. There were no prospective new members. Minutes from the last meeting were read and approved by vote of the members. The *Paymaster* gave his treasury report: we have \$2,467.31 in the account. As usual, we received copies of other detachment newsletters. The *Chaplain* reported that fellow Marine Bob Landacre passed away and was buried Saturday, 12 August 2006.

**Standing Committees:** Terry has some badges, belts & pins available. The Detachment has tentatively scheduled a second shooting event at Vern Flannery's Farm on Saturday, 21 Oct 2006. Vern Flannery reports that Warren Cty Veterans Commission disbursed \$11,717.38 this period.

**Under New Business:** [a] The Detachment Color Guard participating in the Germania's 36th Annual Oktoberfest Opening Ceremonies on Saturday, 26 Aug 2006, are requested to report by 1700 hours. (A photograph of the event is included elsewhere in the newsletter). [b] Dick Evans has secured another manufacturer to produce the red jackets we have been waiting for. Sample should be approved the end of this week. They are looking for delivery in 3-4 weeks. [c] Chris Romano requested the Detachment Color Guard participate in opening ceremonies on 16 Sep 2006, at the Deerfield Veterans Park, by formally raising the National Colors.

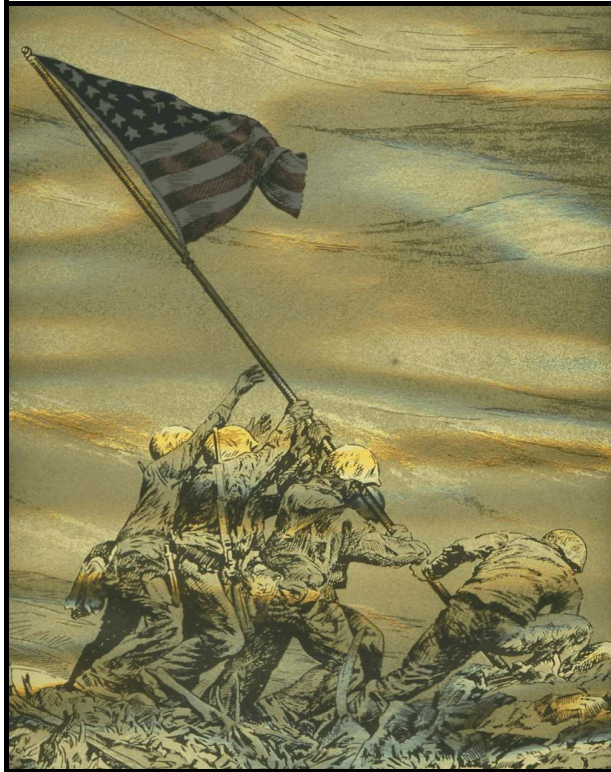
**Under Old Business:** [a] We lost another member of our detachment the week of 7 August. Bob Landacre shipped out to his final destination. Funeral Services were held Thursday evening at Vale Hoskins Funeral Home. The Memorial Team that Bob was a member for all these years, performed the honors. Members of the Chosin Reservoir Detachment were also present. [b] Newsletter Editor Chris Romano will no longer be able to prepare the monthly newsletter due to his commitments. Walter Golladay will assume the responsibility for the detachment.

**Good of the League:** [a] Would anyone consider a yearly "Garage Sale" that benefits the league? Items to be donated to the league to be sold. [b] Do we have a formal system for notification of death of Detachment Marines or important information? Three Squad Leaders were identified, and when called by the Commandant, will relay the message to their respective Squad Members. All Detachment Marines were assigned a squad, and published in the Active Membership Roster. [c] Dick Ratliff inquired about Composite Rifles in the purchase pipeline. Paul Trimble discussed the availability of eight M1 Rifles to be used by the Detachment Color Guard. They should be available sometime in September or October 2006.

The Next Meeting was set for 1900 hours, 20 September 2006. With no further business before the Detachment, the meeting concluded with a rousing rendition of the *Marines Hymn*.

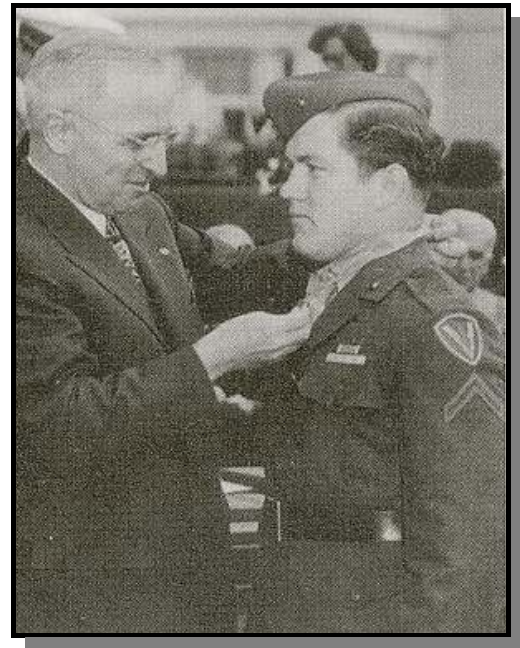


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**Iwo Jima - - 23 February 1945**

On the 4th day of heavy fighting, Joe Rosenthal took this Pulitzer Prize winning photograph of 5 Marines and 1 Navy Corpsman raising the 2nd US flag on Mt Suribachi. The most memorable photograph of World War II. Joe was born in 1911 and passed away on Sunday, 20 August 2006 at the age of 94.



On 5 October 1945, PFC Jack H. Lucas, age 17, receives the **Medal of Honor** from President Harry S. Truman.



On 4 August 2006, youngest **Medal of Honor** recipient Jack H. Lucas receives his Medal of Honor Flag from Marine Corps Commandant General Michael W. Hagee, at The Marine Barracks, Washington, DC.



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On 19 August 2006, Commandant Frank Hetzer leads the Chosin Reservoir Detachment Color Guard, Marine Corps League, at the Germania Society Oktoberfest. Standing at Attention are (l-to-r) Vern Flannery, Fred Renton, Walter Golladay, Mike Miller and Paul Plominski. Photograph courtesy of Patty Hoyt, sister of Mike Miller.



Chris Romano & Frank Hetzer admire “Old Glory” flying, for the first time, on the Deerfield Township Veterans Park 50 foot flagpole. A formal flag raising will be performed by the Detachment Color Guard on Saturday, 16 Sep 2006, at 0800 hours.



On Thursday, 7 Sep 2006, Chris Romano, Frank Hetzer and Walter Golladay, performed a test “Flag Raising” at Deerfield Veterans Park. Photographs courtesy of Walter Golladay.



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*The Medal of Honor Flag consists of a field of blue, with 13 stars arranged in the same formation that the stars appear on the Medal of Honor ribbon. It is fringed with gold*

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**NEXT MEETING:** September 20, 2006 at 1900 hours at VFW Post 8202 in Morrow, OH. North on US 22/OH 3 (Montgomery Rd) through downtown Morrow, past the grade school, over the bridge and just past the fire station, turn right on 2d Street. The VFW is on the right about two blocks down.

This, and every issue of the Detachment newsletter, is edited & published by former Marine Walter Golladay. Distribution is about 100 copies, which includes a copy for each detachment in southern Ohio. If you have any contributions or recommendations -- and all are welcome -- please send them to the Editor. Donations are also accepted to assist with postage & printing costs. Thanks for your continued readership and support!



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