

MILITARY TERMS, ABBREVIATIONS, AND ACRONYMS

JAC: Acronym for the Joint Analysis Center, used by the United States European Command located at RAF headquarters in the United Kingdom.

JADOC: Acronym for the Joint Air Defense Operations Center, a critical defense mission, providing direct command and control capabilities for air security, currently located in Washington, DC.

JAG: Acronym for the Judge Advocate General corps, the military division concerned with military justice and military law.



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Words to Ponder:

"Build me a son, O Lord, who will be strong enough to know when he is weak, ... proud and unbending in honest defeat, and humble and gentle in victory."

~ Douglas MacArthur

Pray for our Deployed Members:

Chaplain Brian Palmer and Family: US Army, serving the Lord in Fort Hood, Texas

Together in Scripture Reading:

This month:
the book of I Peter



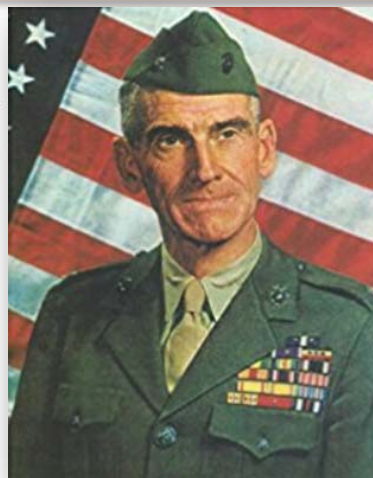
Gung Ho

Gung Ho is a term that describes the spirit of the United States Marine Corps. It is almost as synonymous with the Marines as "Semper Fidelis" (Always Faithful), yet the term has not always been a part of the Marine vernacular. Gung Ho has Chinese origins and means "working together." The term has been used to describe the "enthusiastic" or "dedicated" attitude within the Marine Corps and has even entered the public dictionary to describe someone who is extremely or overly zealous.

The origins of the term "Gung Ho" with the Marine Corps began in early 1942 when Marine Lt. Col. Evans F. Carlson (*pictured above, center*) used it as the slogan of his Second Raider Battalion while they prepared for the assault on Makin Island. The term soon began to spread throughout the U.S. Marine Corps as a way to describe the Marine spirit and eventually worked its way into our day-to-day language.

As America entered 1942, the war news was indeed bleak. Much of the firepower of the U.S. Navy had been lost with the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. U-boats were patrolling American shores in the Atlantic exacting a terrible toll on commercial shipping and the U.S. Merchant Marines. In addition, Japan had attacked the Philippines which would soon surrender in May 1942.

The importance of America winning even small victories was vital to the morale of both the troops entering military service as well as to the American public who was already feeling the pinch of sacrifice as we moved to a war footing. Doolittle's Raid on Tokyo



phibious landings of larger forces; to use speed and surprise to conduct amphibious raids on the enemy; and to conduct guerrilla-type operations behind enemy lines.

Then Major Evans F. Carlson was appointed commander of the 2nd Raider Battalion to be based out of Camp Elliott near San Diego, CA. His executive officer was Major James Roosevelt, the oldest son of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt and Eleanor Roosevelt. The team trained extensively in hand-to-hand combat, hit and run tactics, night operations, demolitions, and scouting. Physical fitness and rigid field discipline were at the core of their training.

Prior to the outbreak of World War II, Carlson's military career was varied and diverse. During 1933-1935 he served in Peking where he was able to observe first-hand the Chinese combat operations against the Japanese.

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(April 1942) and the American victory over the Japanese Navy at the Battle of Midway (June 1942) did a great deal to bolster American morale. With Japanese expansion in the Pacific stopped, the next goal was to begin to take back territory and start pushing Japan back to their home islands.

In February 1942, Marine Corps Commandant, Major General Thomas Holcomb organized two raider battalions of Marines - one on the east coast and one on the west coast. The mission of these two new raider battalions was three-fold: to be the spearhead of am-

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Editor's Note: Sometimes policies enacted by bureaucrats are senseless. Other times, officials address and correct issues.

Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. David Goldfein announced that, over the next week or two, he will delegate to wing commanders the ability to waive crew relief restrictions as they see fit.

"We don't have a problem with crew rest at all," Goldfein told reporters during the Air Force Association's Air, Space & Cyber Conference.

"That's not the problem statement that we're even approaching. The question is, if we're in combat and we have a mission that's required, what is the decision authority where a commander then can make a call?" he said, alongside Air Force Secretary Heather Wilson.

The change is part of the service's overall goal to get rid of the policies that bog down airmen, Goldfein said. "If I'm even close to the attributes of [predicting] future warfare," more decisions must be made at lower levels for the service to be more agile with mission orders, he said.

"This is really just one more swing for the secretary and I, [where] we're looking at, 'How do we continue to push decision authority? How do we push decision authority down to the lowest practical level as a warfighting imperative?'" Goldfein said.

Crew rest rules dictate how much uninterrupted rest time an airman must have in order to fly.

"That isn't changing," Goldfein said. What's changing is who gets to waive limits "when [the] mission requires it." In many cases, he said, the decision should come down to the squadron commander's level.



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John Tinsley, Part 3

Editor's Note: In part two of John Tinsley's story last month, we learned about some of his adventures while stationed at Anderson AFB in Guam and taking trips to various places all over the Pacific, the most memorable of which was the trip to Thailand.

The highlight of that trip was when he happened to arrive in Bangkok at the exact day and time that a parade in honor of Miss Thailand, who had just been crowned as Miss Universe, was in progress. He said he was close enough that he noticed that she was sweating too, just like him!

A few times he was able to go along on search and rescue missions, and sat in the "bubble", a clear plastic protrusion on the side of the fuselage where a man could sit and scan the water for whatever they were looking for. John said he enjoyed this change of pace, but said it was almost hypnotic after a period of time.

The Air Force was, in his words, "pretty lax

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in a lot of ways, but in some ways, was not. One was expected to be where he was supposed to be, when he was expected to be there." He cited the case of a good friend, an aircraft crew chief, who after having been warned twice, was late reporting to his duty station, was busted to E-1 and sent to the stockade for thirty days.

John made all his promotions on time, and considered reenlisting for promotion to Sergeant. Overseas assignments meant he got to see places and things he would have otherwise never seen, and the chow, very important to him, was excellent. But then he related an incident in Thailand when an Army Warrant Officer had chewed him out for

not saluting him and how it grated on him that, in the military, "somebody with a higher rank, whom you don't know from Adam, can chew you out and tell you what to do." That was the deciding factor for him.

He returned to CONUS with two months left on his enlistment,

(USAF, 1961-1965)



Article by Don King

so he was discharged upon arrival at Travis AFB in California in 1965 and, after a little sightseeing in San Francisco, returned home to Rocky Mount. Initially, he went back to working 3rd shift (midnight to 8 am) in the silk mill and there met his wife, Emma Jo. She was engaged to be married, but he was ignorant enough of social mores (his words) that that didn't stop him from repeatedly asking her out.



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Gung Ho

During this time, he became well acquainted with the Chinese military leadership to include Chou En-Lai and Mao Tse-tung (pictured below, circa 1960). During one particular operation, he observed 600 Chinese men complete an extremely arduous 58 mile march without sleep. Not one man dropped out of the formation. This was unprecedented in Carlson's military experience. From this and other observations, Carlson determined that the secret lay in ethical indoctrination. Every soldier knew that his individual performance was a key element to the overall success of his unit's mission. Carlson brought these leadership lessons to the 2nd Raider Battalion.

Lt. Col. Carlson's training and combat tactics were much different than most being



practiced within the Marine Corps and it garnered the ire of several superior officers. It was also perceived that Carlson was getting preferential treatment because his Executive Officer was the President's son and Carlson himself was a close family friend of the Roosevelts. "Gung Ho" was the unit motto with every man buying into the fact that his individual actions contributed to the overall success of their mission. Their success depended wholly on the unit working together in unison.

On August 17, 1942, at 0300 hours, the battalion departed the USS Argonaut and USS Nautilus for their assault on Makin Island. Weather conditions proved to be less than ideal -

motors on their rubber boats malfunctioned in the rain squalls and

the heavy swells that they encountered on their way to the island. The men had to paddle the boats by hand. This delay took their plan out of sequence and the timing of actions was not as coordinated and stealthy as had been planned.

However, the unit had the ability to improvise on the move and they were able to accomplish a majority of their goals for the attack before having to retreat back to sea under heavy enemy fire to be evacuated by submarines. Although their mission proved less successful than they had planned, they destroyed enough critical Japanese equipment and supplies to pave the way for the 1,000 Marines who assaulted Makin Island the following day. Lesser trained and undisciplined troops could not have overcome the early delays and failures to complete the difficult mission.

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Teenagers and Money (Part 1)

Editor's Note: We trust this article written by a Certified Financial Planner (who also served in the USMC and is also a father) will give sound, encouraging advice.

"Do as I say, not as I do." I'm sure you've heard that phrase. And if you're anything like my wife and I, you've lived it...at least a little bit. Well, here's a blinding flash of the obvious: it doesn't work. Sure, words are powerful, but actions can morph into long term habits. Repetition is a powerful teacher. At this point, I could use my golf game to illustrate, but I'll spare you that tale of woe.

Money is a different matter, but my wife and I tried to use the hands-on approach with our kids in a quest to build their financial acumen while they were growing up. Of course, our goal was to equip them with the financial skills they would need to succeed on their own. It hasn't been a totally smooth transition (they now

range in age from 18-26), but there have been some big wins over the years...unlike with my golf game.

Here are three ideas we used to bridge the gap between words and action with our teens.

Learning To Budget

Do you want to go out with your friends? Better check your bank account. Think that new shirt for red day at school is a must? Better check your bank account.

We still covered food, clothing and shelter, but any extras came out of our teens' allowance or work. The result? That bag of candy doesn't



coming out of her wallet. Oh well, economic decisions can be difficult. But the result is that today they understand the concept of spending less than they earn; that's a win.

See next month's issue to find out the author's other two ideas.

For more information, visit www.military.com

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MILITARY DISCOUNT OF THE MONTH:

Qualified active duty military, reserves, national guard, veterans, and spouses of active duty and deceased service personnel can receive 15% off the monthly service charge on qualified plans, including the unlimited data plan. Active-duty personnel can start online enrollment. Spouses, veterans, national guard, and reserves can enroll at a local AT&T store or participating dealer.



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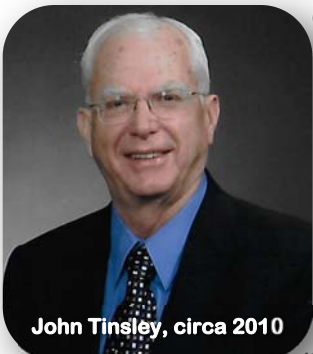
John Tinsley, Part 3

Eventually he was able to score a date after she had broken off her engagement. There was a "matchmaker" involved, who knew of the break-up and coaxed him to ask her "just one more time". They were married in July, 1966.

After a period of time, John applied to Carolina Telephone and went to work in their central switching office in Washington, NC. There he got reacquainted with his old buddy from Shaw AFB, Bill Gaskins, who was working there also.

In 1969 they moved to Chattanooga, TN, where they both attended Ten-

nessee Temple, he on the GI Bill, she on a TT program of \$100 per semester tuition. They both graduated at same time in 1972, about the time of the birth of their first daughter, Emily. For a time he thought seriously of full-time Christian service, but didn't feel called.



John Tinsley, circa 2010

John worked for the phone company for 36 years. Carolina Telephone eventually moved its headquarters to Wake Forest and shortly thereafter John and Emma built a new home in Youngsville, about five minutes from his work, and are still

there. In early 2006 the company cut back and offered him a one-

year's pay bonus to leave, and he formally retired in March 2007.

After about a year of "leisure", he went to work for his son-in-law, who owns Atlantic Coast Cabinets, doing post-installation quality control inspections, and later keeping up the computer system. He's still doing that.

Their two daughters, Emily and Rachel, live within fifteen minutes of them in Youngsville, and they are enjoying being grandparents to three boys and a girl.

In 2006 they joined Friendship and are members of the Berean ABF. John and Emma are truly "salt of the earth" and we're blessed to count them in our number.

JJ Montanaro

taste quite as sweet when it puts an outing with their friends in jeopardy. I still remember my daughter scowling when we told her a trip to the movies or one shopping expedition or another was

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"Today, it's a fairly high level. What we're saying is that we trust commanders ... we're sending a message to the force: We trust you to determine whether your force is ready to execute the mission," Goldfein continued.

Wilson gave a recent personal anecdote of seeing outdated policies in action, in which she did not have authority to permanently change a regulation. She could, however, make an exception as the service secretary.

She was getting ready to speak at the National Guard Association of the United States in Louisville, Kentucky, as Hurricane Irma was approaching Florida, when her military executive officer came to her with a dilemma. "A wing commander at Patrick Air Force Base, [Florida], who by the regulations had to submit a written request to be able to use his high-water vehicle to drive it to his domicile overnight because there's a prohibition of using military vehicles for domicile-to-duty travel," Wilson said.

The circumstances were dire: The commander had to get to and from work regardless of the storm and, at the time, Irma was a Category 5 storm soon to make landfall. "I had to pull the reg for him" for this to happen, she said. "Because the regulation [to receive a waiver] says you need to start the paperwork 45 days in advance to ensure you have the authority" to do this.

"I'll spare you what I really said," Wilson said. "Obviously, we're just not scheduling our hurricanes well." She added, "This doesn't make any sense, and every airman knows it doesn't make any sense. That's stupid. And we need to just say it's stupid and try to fix it."



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THIS MONTH IN MILITARY HISTORY

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1 Oct 1844 - The US Naval Observatory headed by LT Matthew Fontaine Maury occupies first permanent quarters. Founded in 1830 as the Depot of Charts and Instruments, the Naval Observatory is one of the oldest scientific agencies in the country. As a service organization, one of its first tasks

was the calibration of ship's chronometers, which was accomplished by timing the transit of stars across the meridian. In 1855 the astronomical and nautical almanacs were started. From these service-oriented beginnings, USNO continues to be responsive to the fleet, DoD, and national needs

through provision of applied astrometry and timing products and services.

12 Oct 1919 - Doris "Dorie" Miller, American sailor, Pearl Harbor hero, and first African American man to be awarded the Navy Cross; killed in action in 1943.

Gung Ho

Although the raid on Makin Island was not an overwhelming success, it captured the imagination of the American public who were hungry for any good news of battles taking place in faraway places that they had to look hard to find on a map. Hollywood looked to capitalize on these early success stories. Less than a year later Randolph Scott starred in the movie "Gung Ho" about the raiders attack on Makin Island. In 1944, Robert Ryan and Pat O'Brien starred in the movie "Marine Raiders." These movies helped to associate and establish the term "Gung Ho" as being synonymous with the Marine spirit.

"Working together" is a good way to describe how the body of Christ should work. 1 Corinthians 12:12-14 tells us: *"For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: so also is Christ. For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit. For the body is not one member, but many."* Later in that same chapter, the Apostle Paul gives us more de-

tail about what it means to be a part of the body of Christ: *"Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular. And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues (1 Cor 12: 12-14)."*

The body of Christ refers to His church, made up of all those who have accepted Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. Therefore, each Christian is a part of the body of Christ and is designed with specific gifts or functions to help support the operation of the whole body. Every Christian has been given a gift and is called to use that gift within the body to build up the body of Christ and to strengthen it to carry out God's ultimate purpose. Not everyone will be a preacher. Some may be teachers; others may be encouragers, while some have the gift of hospitality. You have been given special abilities or talents, or maybe you have a vocation or training that can be used to the glory of God for the strengthening of His body of believers.

Some Christians go to church on Sunday either out of a sense of du-

ty, guilt, or to be seen. They occupy a pew and Sunday after Sunday expect to be fed without any obligation to participate in helping to make the body of Christ stronger. If you are a Christian, you have a function that God has designed specifically for you to accomplish. Your talents and abilities are designed to make the body of believers stronger and better able to accomplish the will of God the Father. Are you a contributing member of the body of Christ? Are you actively serving God, sharing Him with others, and using your talents for the Lord? If not, there is a void where your talents are supposed to be used. You will find over time that you are at your happiest and most content when you are squarely in the will of God.

If you are not contributing to the body of Christ, it's time to get on-board! Give of yourself and more will be given to you. Help to strengthen the body and you will be strengthened. It's time to be a part of the great "working together" of the body of Christ! It's time to get "Gung-Ho!"



'For we are labourers together with God: ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building.'

1 Corinthians 3:9

Prayer Notes, Event Announcements

Please continue to pray for Ashley Huskey as she is being treated for vasculitis.

Praise the Lord, she told me that she is seeing improvements! Please keep Phil Wagher in your prayers for continued health and strength. Please keep those who have been impacted by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria in your prayers. Please keep Joe Perez in your prayers as he is recovering from a recent heart

procedure. Pray for his full and complete recovery! Please continue to keep our President, Donald Trump and his administration in your prayers! May the Lord grant him wisdom in the conduct of his administration of our country! ~ Colonel Martin

Next Month:

- Teenagers and Money (Part 2)
- Thanksgiving: Army Style
- Military Maxims



The Brian Palmer Family

