

# Lima Co. 3/5 Reunion



**VIETNAM 1966-1971**

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July, 2004 ... Newsletter #71 ... July the 4th ... Reunion #19 was full of sparks way back in June

It started on day first and ended on day last and the smiles were huge thru out

## **It was another Lima 3/5 Reunion**

**What began in Daytona Beach ended in Daytona Beach . . .  
20 years and 19 Reunions and back in Daytona Beach**

Your participation was . . . flat out the best. Thanks!  
Reunion #19 was another good thing for the Family

**Here's the 51 who returned again with their Reunions attended in (#)**



Rudy Abril (3), Jim Andrusewicz (8), David Arrasmith (5), Bob Banks (10), Sgt. James Brown (3), Dan Cantrell (11), Jim Carleton (11), Ken Carman (8), George Christo (6), Bill Clark (3), Steve Cobb (13), Jerry Davis (9), Benito Delagarza (5), Nick Douzanis (5), Patrick Dudley (4), Gerald Gordon (2), James Haddaway (2), Leo Hand (2), John Harris (11), Robert Henry (17), Richard Hoffman (10), James Hunt (4), Herb Johnson (7), Roy Koehler (2), Don Levesque (8), Wally Loucks (17), Horace Martin (4), Les McFall (9), Joe McLaughlin (10), David Miller (14), Dan Nordmann (6), Jerry O'Brien (2), Tom Pirnie (2), Joe Pollicino (11), John Presnall (8), Robert Rigdon (5), Lynwood Scott (9), Tim Sedrowski (16), Ernie Senez (7), Kevin Shaughnessy (4), Bob Snowden (19), Bob Stalker (2), Jerry Stanfield (12), Skip St. Clair (16), Milford Taylor (12), Gary Underwood (6), Mabel (Phil) Vangel (5), Tony Van Reusen (8), Jerry Winters (12), John Wold (6), and Jim Yakubsin (11). That's 51 with Reunions that total 362.

**And a fresh quad** incoming for their first Reunion. The Class of 2004: A dandy fire team . . .  
James Dreksler, Donald Farrar, James Shoffstall and James Wright . . . The Don and 3 Jimmy's.  
Sounds like a mob hit. Lucky us! Large smiles!

You made our weekend special . . . Semper Fi . . .  
55 Marines and a banquet of 161 is 36-24-36 and a breath of fresh air forever.

**SEM PER FIDELIS**

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## TECHNO GRUNTS



The LIMA 3/5 WEBSITE has moved to a NEW LZ . . . we are NOW . . .

[www.limathreefive.org](http://www.limathreefive.org)

Get there ASAP! Webmaster Richard Hoffman continues to put up improvements on the best Company website in the universe. Check it out!

**TAPS!** We lost **Phil Vangel**, far too soon to brain cancer. He passed away April 28th. **Emilio Tulipano** and **Kevin Shaughnessy** attended on behalf of Lima 3/5. And more importantly a personal level . . . something we all cherish. Phil is a legend. Our exuberant friend . . . my golf partner, the life of our party . . . now, we have Mabel and Pam in 2004. It was special. Pam "da Daughter" closed down the 'Boot Hill Saloon' . . . some traditions live forever. Phil would be with a beaming smile. When I tee off I think of him . . . and get that smile that he was famous for . . . forever bro! You will always be with my 18 holes.



# DAYTONA RECAP

I got there early on Tuesday and was late . . . the trenches were dug already by **Banks, Cobb, Nordmann, Harris, Winters** and the **Carman** clan.

**The Hospitality Room** was definitely bottom shelf . . . right on the beach! Perfect! Our Lima 3/5 Reunion Banner and our USMC Flag graced our party LZ. David Miller's "Lima 3/5 Wall" was front court . . . "a great view for our brothers" . . . on the beach . . . Semper Fi!

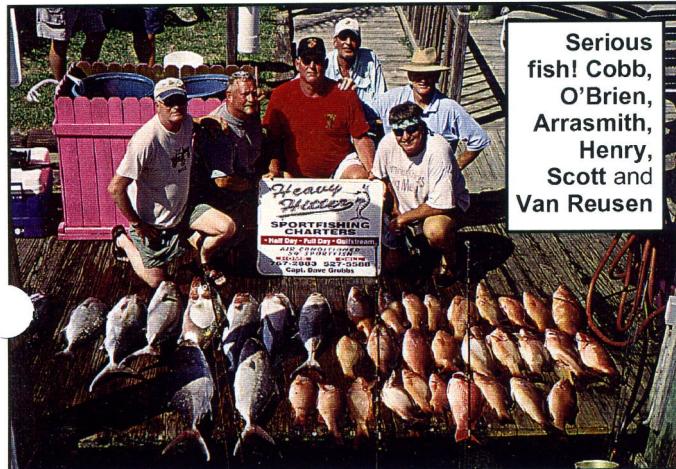


**Dan Nordmann and Bob Banks** hosted the Hospitality Room refreshments and nobody went dry from early Tuesday till late Sunday evening . . . It was about time by then . . . head to the Snowden's Alamo for a final toast, some hugs and handshakes to top off a splendid week. Life is good in this neighborhood!

**Six of us** went deep sea fishing on Thursday . . . aboard the 'Heavy Hitter' . . . It was flat out fishy! The couch potatoes met us at the dock at 4 p.m. and we served dinner for 25 at the dockside restaurant, a fresh snapper fry courtesy of the fellas with the long poles who could still walk at the 4:30 a.m. wakeup. We had fish on: 28 snappers, a variety of 4 and 7 amberjack brutes that tested our aging backs. In the end it was the men who survived a 78 mile round trip to feed our best friends and we 6 who had the last limp to the car ride back to beachside.

The picture says it all. We be fishing! **Cobb, O'Brien, Arrasmith, Henry, Scott and Van Reusen** . . . all aboard Sir! . . . Pass the chum!

A 54 foot monster of a boat (ship), Capt. David Grubbs was awesome . . . we'll be back for sure! I'm thinking the fall for sailfish.



Serious fish! Cobb, O'Brien, Arrasmith, Henry, Scott and Van Reusen

**Golf?** We did that. 20 of us traversed the 6400 yards. Saw more squirrels than birdies . . . and a daytime raccoon ta boot. Once again it was **Khan Carleton** who topped the field as he fired a clean 81. **JP Hunt** walked off with his 3rd straight Championship (sans Khan) with a nifty 86 . . . **Hank** was the runner-up at 95 and **Skip** (aka Superman) fired an impressive 97. Just coming off double by-pass heart surgery! Only 4 of 20 under a hun? We be a hackin' . . . !

Khan Carleton is the man! He made a huge choice to let the 'Gold Putter' go to the low gross Marine. At 17 teen years old and a major stroker . . . he has bigger mountains to climb. A stud . . .

JC handled the arrangements again. Great course, even better price and 20 funny balls flying everywhere.

the 2005 Reunion Golf Tournament will be hosted by **Pecos Bill** . . . in, of (golf) course, Texas! Yo, Bill . . . 4?

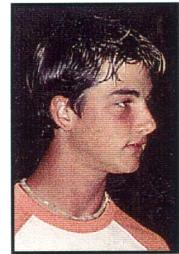


PGA Tour - Class of '04

**A lot of folks** spent time at the pools, on the beach, in the Hospitality Room and some fools even went out into the Atlantic Ocean to para-sail behind a 27' boat. What? Crazy . . . the **Cobbs**, the **Nordmanns** . . . too much hair for me! They all raved at the silence . . . cool!



**Food in Daytona Beach . . .** oh please, just bring it on. We did the spontaneous 'let's go for it' restaurant every night. Too many bases to cover, but we did show a heck of a try at it. Ponce Inlet was the best. SEAFOOD maximum! Of course, the coup de gras was the traditional survivors grill at the **Snowdens** on Monday evening. Whew! Gourmet steaks, best of friends and a final toast . . . perfect!



Tiger who?

# THOUGHTS AND REMEMBRANCES OF 2004

● **Tony "The Shirt"** got hung out to dry at the airport despite the promise of flowers and cheeses upon arrival. Don't book my taxi.



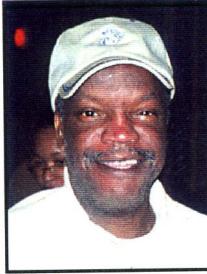
● A smooth dozen of "The Shirts" went faster than the first cold beer . . . the legend grows . . . another classic 12 pack in '05 . . . hurry, it's FIFO.

● **Business Meeting** Our annual Saturday Reunion Business Meeting went off on the day after Friday. We figured out stuff and voted to return to Texas for 2005.

A motion to close and the gavel came down. Details for Reunion '05 will be out in November when the newsletter comes back to life.

● **Green Bottles** We had some green bottles of 'Rolling Rock' beer in memory of **Irving Cray** . . . a healthy toast to a good Marine.

● **2 Hoss's** We had 2 with a 'Hoss' nickname. **Herb Johnson** and **Donnie Farrar** . . . what is a Hoss?



● **The temp tattoos** by **Ed Conti** were a HUGE hit . . . great job Ed man! Everybody wins and the chuckles were large . . . The tattoos were EVERYWHERE . . . and I'm not kiddin'!

● **Contributions** to the Silent Auction: **Steve Cobb, Horace Martin, Joe McLaughlin and Joe Pollicino** . . . excellent work . . . Thanks!



## SATURDAY EVENING BANQUET

**The Gala** Saturday Evening Banquet was seamless. **Gunny Loucks, Joe P., Joe Mac, Skip, Richard, Rev. Bob, Big Dave, Tony the Shirt, OB . . . GREAT JOB!**



**1900 hours:** The Color Guard was very tight . . . the music piercing, a prayer, thoughts of our fallen . . . a moment of silence for our brothers deceased after Viet-nam . . . and the celebration of these United States Marines hits a higher gear for the evening. The honor is for all Marines . . .

● **We played** played some serious USMC dominos on Sunday afternoon . . . **Leo Hand** was on the verge of a \$1,000 jackpot when **Mary Anne** said, "Honey, it's time to go to the airport." For us it was "Go Leo, Go Leo, Go Leo" . . . and the boys played on . . . "but it was just my imagination once again runnin' away with me." It was Zero on the table. OK, who's got the double six?

● **Breakfast** Do a breakfast with **Jerry and Barb Winters** . . . they are the best fun couple in the morning.

● **Special Thanks** to the ladies. Your support is amazing. We wouldn't be here without you. A dozen roses every day . . .

● **Nary a soda** or beer went unopened . . . perfect management guys. Thanks! Great job! **Nordmann** and **Banks** will repeat in '05 . . . bottoms up!!

● **Typical Daytona** . . . we had our Harley guys: **Douzanis, Loucks, Miller** and the **McFalls** . . . that's a rowdy bunch, eh?

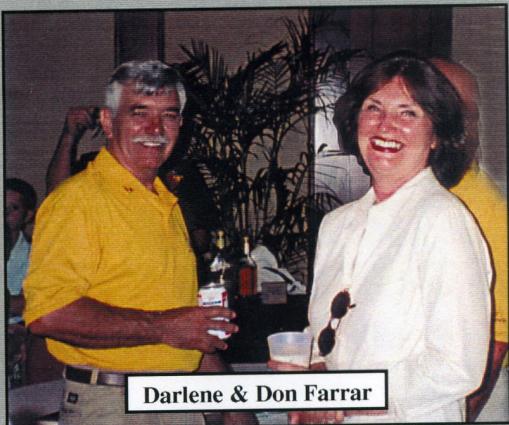
● **Only 1 Officer.**

● **No Corpsman** for the first time ever. And we needed one for sure at 3:30 a.m. Sunday morning.

● **A Golden Moment** . . . Here's to a Happy 50th Wedding Anniversary to **Sgt. Maj. Al** and **Phyllis Ross** come August 8th.

**A 20 year award** was presented to **Capt. Bob Snowden** by **Skip St. Clair** . . . that came from all of the Lima 3/5 Marines. Bob Snowden is the ONLY man who has attended ALL 19 of our Reunions . . . the master of the Lima 3/5 Vietnam Reunions . . . period! "We love ya Skipper . . . you are the best" . . . Semper Fi . . . your Marines!

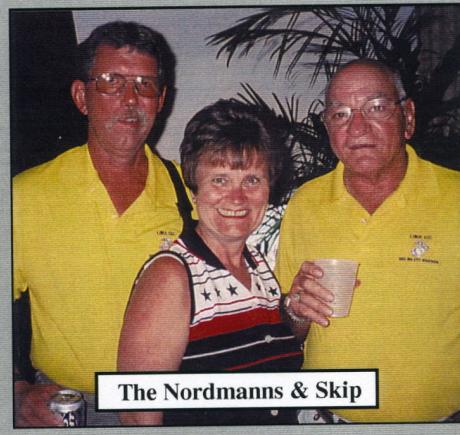




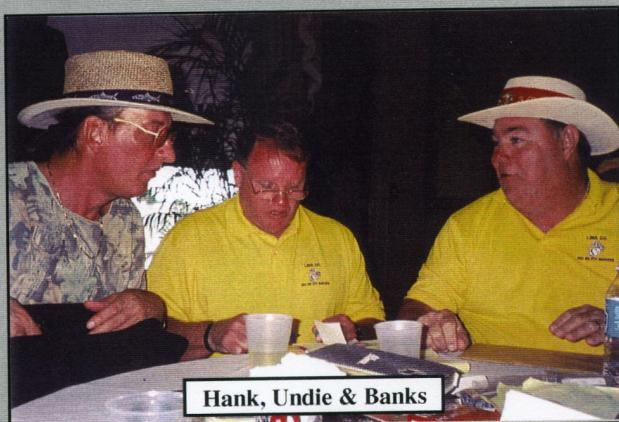
Darlene & Don Farrar



Kathy & JC Carleton



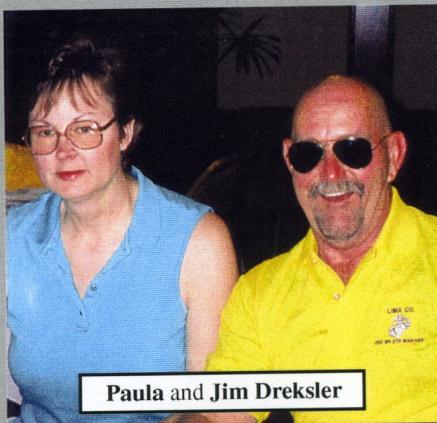
The Nordmanns & Skip



Hank, Undie & Banks



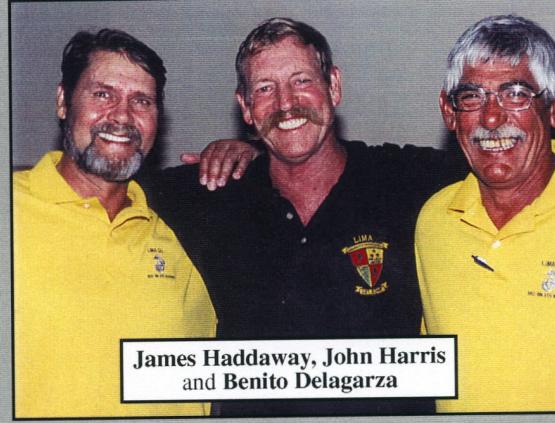
Dreksler, Shoffstall, Koehler - picture perfect



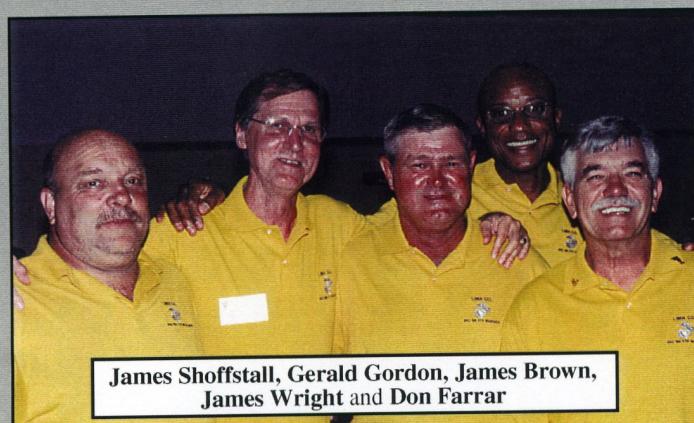
Paula and Jim Dreksler



Barb Winters



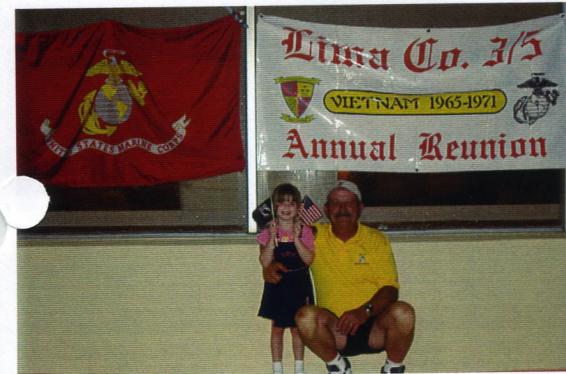
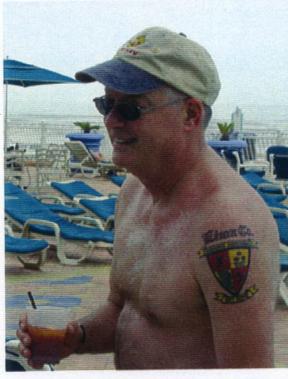
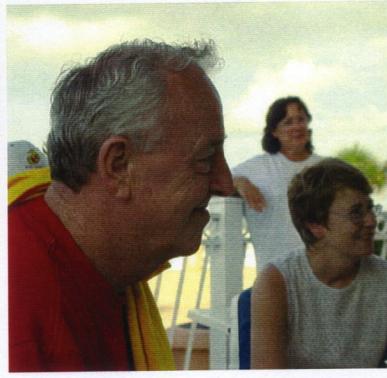
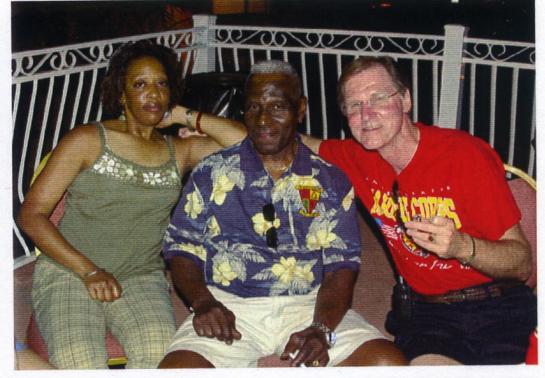
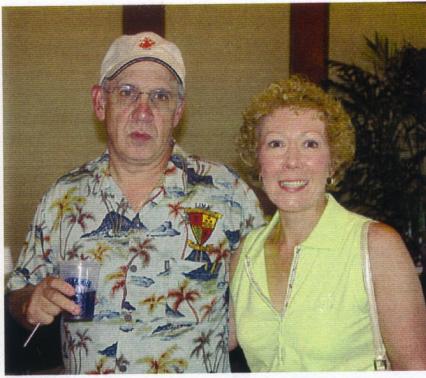
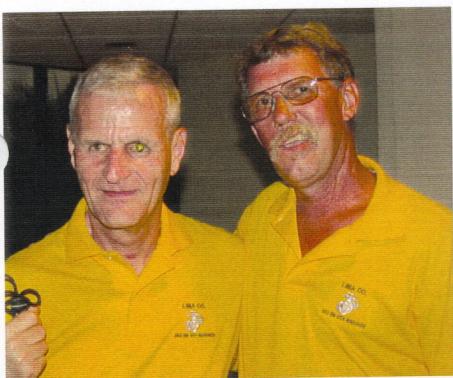
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James Shoffstall, Gerald Gordon, James Brown, James Wright and Don Farrar



Les McFall, James Wright and David Miller



# FREE TRIP

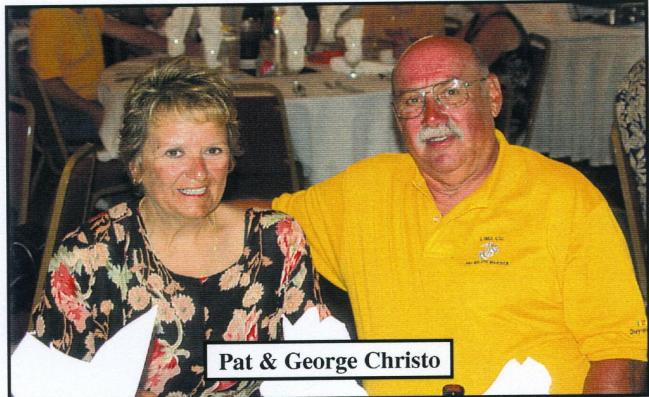


**2005 Reunion in San Antonio . . .** The JoeMac Raffle Winner is announced and it is . . . **Ken Carman**, WHOA, that's **Sherri Carman** 11 feet off the ground saying, "Ya baby" and pumping her 2 fists and a boogy whup . . . Gee whiz, it's just FREE roundtrip air for 2, 4 nights FREE at the hotel, 2 FREE dinners and a FREE hug next year in San Antonio . . . WHOA, there she goes again . . . "and just for 10 bucks for cryin' out loud" . . . and the winner was . . . WHOA! Sherri . . . easy on the chandeliers! This is the 4th humble winner since JoeMac started this jump up and down raffle . . . priceless!

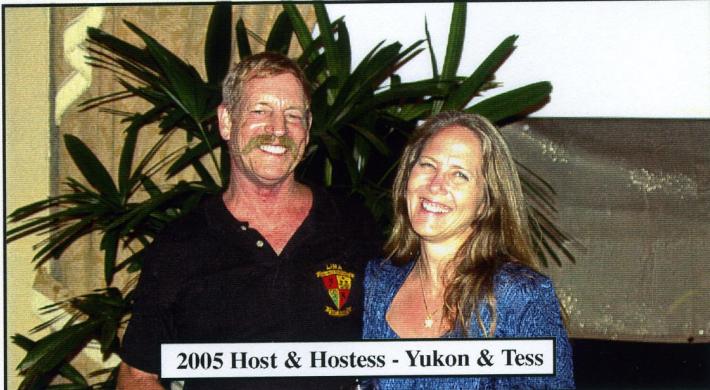


## EXTENDED FAMILY

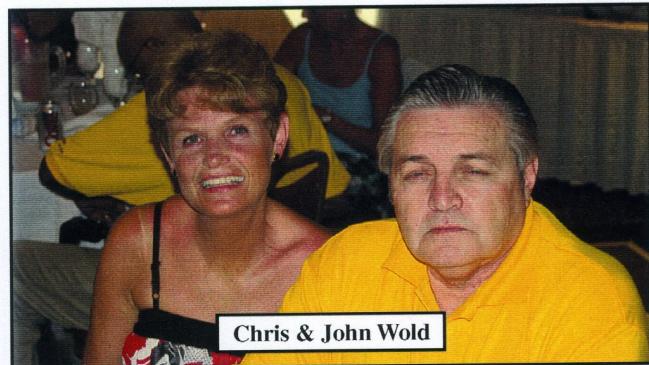
**Herb Bragg**, father of **Roger Bragg**, KIA 4-8-69, attended again, his 3rd and all driving from Washington state. He is a Marine Dad to the max. Daughter and sister of Roger, **Roberta** and her husband **John Ward** have been supporters of Lima 3/5 forever . . . very special people . . . Semper Fi . . . The Lima 3/5 Family extends beyond we Marines . . . and we are blessed for that . . .



Pat & George Christo



2005 Host & Hostess - Yukon & Tess



Chris & John Wold

## Financial Statement for Lima 3/5 - fiscal July 1, 2004

### THE GENERAL FUND:

Beginning .....	\$ 7,510.03
General Fund .....	\$ 1,348.00
Sales .....	\$ 4,894.00
Raffle .....	\$ 1,522.00
Auction .....	\$ 1,680.00
A/R '02 .....	\$ 385.00
A/R '03 .....	\$ 670.00
A/R '04 .....	\$ 565.00
Merchandise .....	\$ 5,542.92
Reunion '04 .....	\$ 1,933.53
Newsletter Postage .....	\$ 360.00
Postage - Other .....	\$ 52.04
Post Office Box .....	\$ 24.00
Balance .....	\$ 8,469.69
A/R .....	\$ 1,670.00
GF New Balance .....	\$10,139.69

### OPERATION REACHOUT:

Beginning .....	\$ 2,516.00
Incoming .....	\$ 621.00
Outgoing .....	\$ 856.00
New Balance .....	\$ 2,281.00

### JOE MAC RAFFLE:

Beginning .....	\$ 2,119.00
Incoming .....	\$ 1,040.00
Outgoing .....	\$ 1,008.00
New Balance .....	\$ 2,151.00
Overall CASH Bank Account .....	\$13,782.00

We ended up with more than we started with . . . Thanks Marines, for your support in '04 . . .

Bob Snowden, Treasurer      Robert Henry, Accounting

NEWSLETTER next is November with #72 . . . Happy Birthday! . . . Semper Fi . . . Hank