

BVMCL Marine Corps Cake Cutting Ceremony Script

Traditionally – regardless of location – Marines pause to observe our birthday by sharing a cake and a special meal. Sometimes, the cake is lemon poundcake, or Iraqi flat bread, or just anything considered mostly-edible, fit for human consumption. This evening, we are fortunate to have a tasty birthday cake!

We use a sword to cut the cake as a reminder that we are a band of warriors, committed to carrying the sword, so that our nation may live in peace.

The first piece of cake is presented to our Guest of Honor – _____.

The second piece of cake is presented to the oldest Marine, signifying the honor and respect accorded to experience and seniority. The oldest Marine with us this evening is _____, who was born on _____, and who enlisted/commissioned on _____.

Symbolically, the oldest Marine present passes a piece of cake to the youngest Marine present, just a for 245 years our experienced Marines have led and guided young Marines that will fill our ranks and renew our Corps. The youngest Marine present this evening is _____, who was born on _____, and who enlisted/commissioned on _____.

A round of applause, please. Thank you, ladies and gentlemen!

