

Change of Command USS CARTER HALL (LSD 50)



Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek was the scene of a Change of Command Ceremony onboard the USS CARTER HALL on September 26. The heart of the ceremony was the traditional and formal reading of official orders. Command passed upon utterance by the relieving officer, CDR Matthew Shellock, who stated, "I relieve you, Sir!" CDR Bruce Golden then replied, "I stand relieved."

Council was publicly thanked during the ceremony. In attendance were Council's CARTER HALL Liaison Pat Robson, President Harvey Lankford and immediate Past President John Harler. Afterwards, Chaplain and Public Affairs Officer LCDR Patrick Williams escorted the three to the ship's all-purpose room and Chapel that Council had helped with. Behind the altar was a new large flat screen TV, on one wall was new library shelving and against the opposite wall was a new coffee machine. Each of these donated items, along with LCDR William's guidance, help make a better life for the crew.

Photo 1: Ceremony

Photo 2: Robson, CDR Shellock, Harler, Lankford