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United States Marine Corps 235th Birthday Ball

Schedule of Events

Cocktail Hour – 1800 hrs

Guests Seated – 1900 hrs

Commandant's Birthday Message Video Tribute to Wounded Warriors Honor Fallen Comrades Benediction

Ceremony Commences — 1925 hrs

March in Guest of Honor and Detachment CO

March on Colors

March on Cake

General John A. LeJeune's Message
Introduction and Remarks; Detachment Commander
Introduction and Remarks; Guest of Honor
Formal Cake Cutting Ceremony

Dinner – 2000 hrs

Retire Colors

Dancing and Entertainment – 2100 hrs

GUEST OF HONOR GENERAL JAMES E. CARTWRIGHT Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs



General Cartwright serves as the eighth Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. In this capacity, he is a member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Nation's second highest ranking military officer.

As Vice Chairman, General
Cartwright chairs the Joint
Requirements Oversight Council, CoChairs the Defense Acquisition Board,
and serves as a member of the
National Security Council Deputies
Committee, the Nuclear Weapons
Council and the Missile Defense
Executive Board. In addition, he CoChairs the Deputies Advisory

Working Group, which provides advice to the Deputy Secretary of Defense William Lynn on resourcing and other high level departmental business issues.

General Cartwright was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Marine Corps in November 1971. He completed Naval Flight Officer training in April 1973 and graduated from Naval Aviator training in January 1977. He has operational assignments as an NFO in the F-4, and as a pilot in the F-4, OA-4 and F/A-18. He is a distinguished graduate of the Air Command and Staff College at Maxwell AFB, received his Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island, and completed a fellowship with Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

General Cartwright's command assignments include Commander, United States Strategic Command (2004-2007); Commanding General, First Marine Aircraft Wing (2000-2002), and Deputy Commanding General, Marine Forces Atlantic (1999-2000).

General Cartwright's joint staff assignments include Director for Force Structure, Resources and Assessment, J-8 the Joint Staff (2002-2004), and Deputy Director for Force Structure, Requirements, J-8 the Joint Staff (1996-1999).