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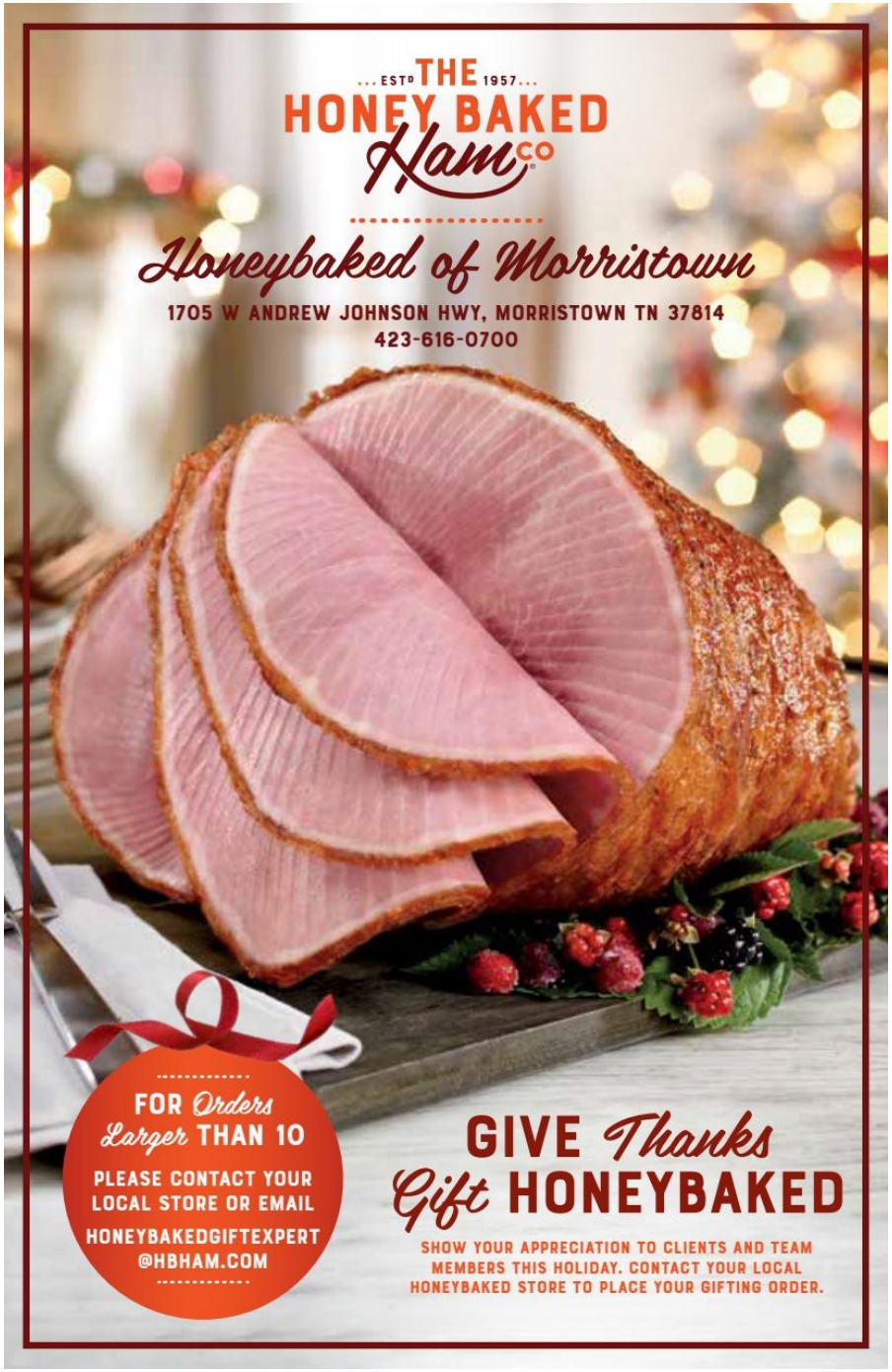
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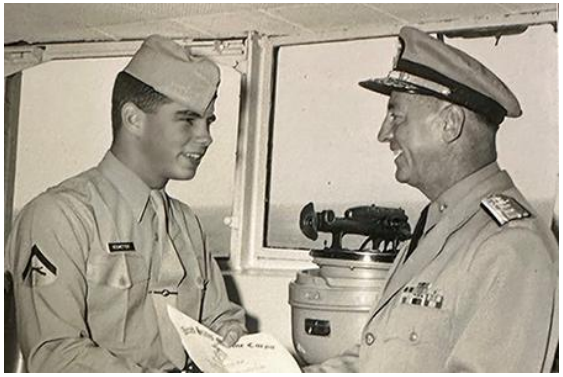
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Petoskey Plastics Chairman and CEO Paul Keiswetter Named a 2026 Notable Veteran in Plastics

Plastics News honors the Marine Corps veteran and Petoskey Plastics founder as one of four industry honorees

PETOSKEY, Mich. – Paul Keiswetter, chairman and CEO of Petoskey Plastics, has been named one of four honorees in *Plastics News*' 2026 Notable Veterans in Plastics special report, published November 9. The attached annual report recognizes military veterans who have gone on to build successful careers in the plastics industry.



Keiswetter served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1962 to 1966 and rose to the rank of corporal. His awards include the National Defense Service Medal, the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal and the Good Conduct Medal. He made two Pacific deployments aboard the USS Yorktown during the Vietnam War. His service instilled in him great discipline, hard work, and attention to housekeeping and detail.

Keiswetter co-founded Petoskey Plastics in 1969 with his father, Duke Keiswetter, and operations began in 1970 with five employees and one bag machine. *Plastics News* Editor Don Loepp wrote in his Viewpoint column introducing the report that Keiswetter started the business to create good, year-round jobs in northern Michigan, with steady pay, benefits and regular working hours. Loepp also noted Keiswetter's decades of leadership in sustainability, saying he championed plastics recycling "long before it became the priority it is today."

Through careful growth planning and dedicated development, Keiswetter led the company from a single manufacturing plant in Petoskey, Michigan, to additional sites in Hartford City, Indiana, and Morristown, Tennessee. As CEO, he later oversaw the opening of the company's newest location in McKinney, Texas.

Reflecting on the lessons of his military service, Keiswetter offered this advice: "Always work like your drill instructor is beside you."

The 2026 Notable Veterans in Plastics report also recognizes Seamus Quinlivan of MTD Micro Molding, Jim Wright of Colortech, and Bob Deitrick of ACS Group.

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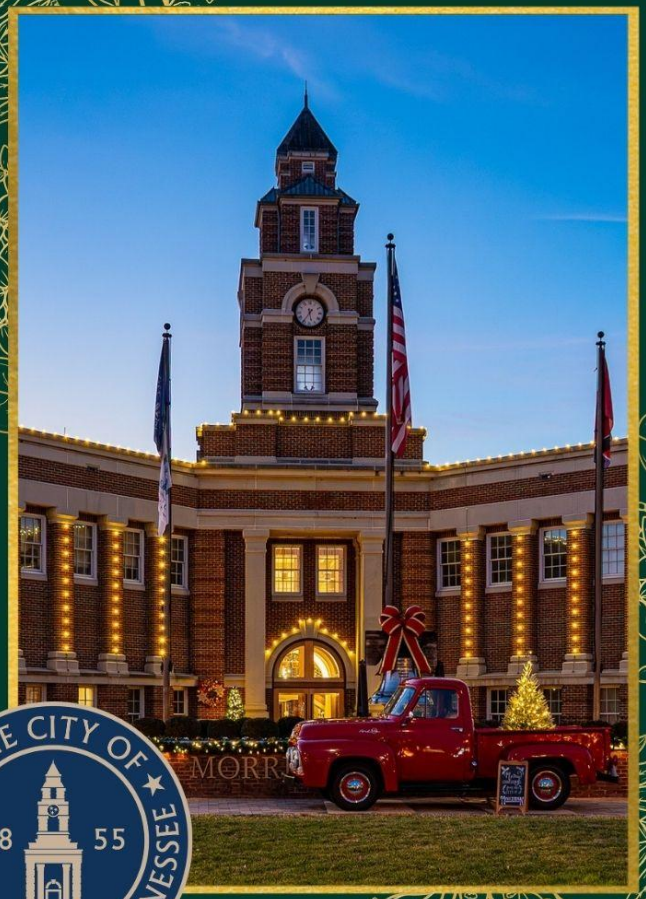


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