



St Charles County Detachment SCUTTLEBUTT

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DETACHMENT MEETING 1900, 1st Wednesday of every month at the **Pezold Banquet Center**, 5701 Hwy N, Cottleville. Our Next Meeting is **Mar 4, 2020**

STAFF MEETING 1900, 3rd Wednesday of every month. Our next Staff Meeting will be on **Mar 18, 2020** at Cecil Whittakers, 620 Jungermann Rd, St. Peters.

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ELECTION OF OFFICERS

We will be electing new officers at the March 4, 2020, MCL meeting. Those nominated are listed below:

PLEASE NOTE, WE HAVE 2 PEOPLE RUNNING FOR COMMANDANT

Commandant	Anthony Bartoli
	Bob Evenson
Sr Vice Commandant	Mark Hoernschemeyer
Jr Vice Commandant	Russ Gatewood
Paymaster	Gene Vaucher
Adjutant	Kevin Gray
Chaplain	Bob Blake
Sgt at Arms	Jason Todd
Judge Advocate	John Gonzales
2 Year Auditor	Jerry Bradley
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UPCOMING EVENTS *Please take note and mark your calendars for these upcoming events available to support our community and Detachment.*

February 29	9:00 AM, Breakfast at Golden Corral. Spouses are also invited.
March 14	Cottleville St Pats Parade
March 29	2:00 PM Vietnam Veterans Day Ceremony at the St Charles Co Veterans Museum
April 1	Installation Dinner for our new officers. This is our regular date and location.
April 11	Fundraiser BBQ, Lowe's, 2900 West Clay, St Charles
May 23	Fundraiser BBQ, Lowe's, 2900 West Clay, St Charles
June 13	Fundraiser BBQ, Lowe's, 8501 Mexico Rd, O'Fallon
July 4	O'Fallon Heritage & Freedom Fest Parade

July 11 Fundraiser BBQ, Lowe's, 2900 West Clay, St Charles
Sept 12 Fundraiser BBQ, Lowe's, 2900 West Clay, St Charles
October 10 Fundraiser BBQ, Lowe's, 8501 Mexico Rd, O'Fallon

COMMANDANT'S MESSAGE

Greetings to all Detachment Members, Associates & FMF Corpsmen. Moving forward into the new year, activities will begin to ramp up shortly with parades, color guards, BBQs and other events. Please consider participating in whatever you can – your participation is a key element in supporting our Detachment. We have a lot of opportunities coming up from a Breakfast with Marines on Feb 29th to events in March: St Patrick's Day parade, Machine gun shoot, to our Officer Installation Dinner on April 1st. If you would like to volunteer for a position, please attend our March Detachment meeting to nominate and vote on your officers for this coming year.

As we look forward with 2020 vision and the continued support of the League and Community, I ask that we each consider how we can best serve each other, the League and specifically our Detachment. Your continued support is appreciated and critical to the success of our detachment. I have to mention a special Marine who was our brother Marine and a dual Detachment member, Don Shields. Don was very welcoming to Marines and invited me to stay after my very first meeting and have a drink and talk. I got to know Don over the years and it was one of the reasons I stayed in the League. Don was very involved in multiple Detachments and still found time to help at our BBQs where he would work all day to help. He has held several positions in the MCL and was a friend to all. He and his wife Ginny would attend the Marine Corps Ball every year he could to support and socialize with his fellow Marines. I enjoyed each time and never could turn down an invitation to sit down with Don and share stories and learn more about his life. It is with deep sadness that Don passed away this month and was laid to rest on Valentines Day. My mission since I joined this league was to help make sure all of our members are remembered and never forgotten. Thank you to all who attended his service as well as our members, who performed Casket duty for him. I miss him already but will never forget him.

My hope is that 2020 will bring new and exciting opportunities for us to demonstrate the strength of our Detachment as we work together as a Team.

Interesting but useless information:

The shortest war in history was between England and Zanzibar in 1896 and lasted thirty-eight minutes.

A jiffy is equal to one-hundredth of a second, which is where the saying, "I'll be there in a jiffy!" comes from.

Thank you for all you do,

Semper Fi

Anthony Bartoli, Commandant

St Charles County Marine Corps League, Detachment 725

Color Guard: Bob Evenson is looking for a few good men & women to join the Color Guard and/or the Honor Guard. Many of the current members are no longer able to participate. If you're retired or able to get a day off once in a while, we could use your help. Many of the events are on weekends or holidays. For more details, please contact Bob at 316-670-0433 or via email at bobandshel@ymail.com.

MEMBERSHIP

ATTENTION ANNUAL MEMBERS. IF YOU HAVEN'T SENT THEM IN YET, YOUR MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS ARE DUE RIGHT NOW. PLEASE SEND YOUR CHECK FOR \$35.00 TO THE ST CHARLES COUNTY MARINE CORPS LEAGUE, PO BOX 1362, ST PETERS, MO 63376

LIFE MEMBERSHIP For Life Membership, contact Paymaster Bob Reed at 314-324-9009 or rcreed46@att.net.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP (ONE-TIME FEE)

AGE:	0-35	36-50	51-64	65 & over
FEE:	\$500.00	\$400.00	\$300.00	\$200.00

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Fellow brothers and sisters,

Spring is soon!! And so is the coming celebration of Easter eggs, pretty dresses on our kids/ grandkids, and fish fries! Certainly most of all, for those who believe, is the celebration of our Savior's Resurrection!! A season that provokes hope...

And while we celebrate the improvement in John Burke's health, we mourn the passing of a precious member, Marine, Chaplain, man, father, and husband, Don Shields. Let us use his life as a template of giving, love of serving, and a Godly person for us all....Our Detachment provided his widow one of our Bibles, which she showed gratitude for.

We can also lift up Jerry Bradley and Andy Riggle in our prayers. Speaking of interceding prayer, there will be another Session of FOCUS Marine Foundation, the first week in March. Many of our members put in long hours there providing an environment for immediate & total reversal of damaging/destructive behavior of our heroic Marines. Let's offer serious prayer for them, as well as our upcoming voting for new officers. This upcoming year is ripe for excellent leadership, increased participation, and growth. ..

Our risen Savior always gets/deserves the credit & glory...

Chaplain Bob

Contact Chaplain Bob at **636-358-0853** or vet4god@juno.com

CHANGE OF ADDRESS or PHONE NUMBER?

Please notify Paymaster Bob Reed when your mailing address, email address or phone number changes.

He maintains our roster. If your mailing address changes, he will notify National MCL so they will send your

dues renewals to the correct address. You can send him the updates via email at: rcreed46@att.net.

QUARTERMASTER

If you would like to purchase specific items from the Quartermaster, please give Jerry Bradley a call (636-978-1376). He has MCL Covers, Sateen Jackets, Marine T-Shirts, Marine Baseball style hats, golf shirts, and many other items.

Facebook: if you have info to put on our detachment Facebook page, send it to John Burke at:

luddyburke@sbcglobal.net

GOOD OF THE LEAGUE:

50/50 Drawing: Shelley Evenson won. she donated his portion to Toys for Tots

One Year Free Membership: Ben Murphy's name was drawn and he was not present to win

For information on future National or Dept of Missouri conventions or events go to the websites, below:

National
www.mclnational.org

Dept of Missouri
www.momcl.org

St Charles County Detachment 725
www.stcharlesmarine.org

We've Lost Another Marine Brother

It is with great sadness that we report to you that Marine Don Shields passed away on Feb 1, 2020. Our Detachment performed the Marine Corps League funeral ceremony at Hutchens Funeral Home in Florissant, MO, on February 13, 2020. May he rest in peace.

NEW OATH OF MEMBERSHIP

National has passed down a new Oath of Membership. It's much shorter and more to the point. Commandant Bartoli asked that I include it in the Scuttlebutt, so here it is:

Oath of Membership

"I, (Your Name), In the Presence of Almighty God, do solemnly swear, that I will uphold and defend the Constitution and Laws of the United States of America and the Bylaws and Administrative Procedures of the Marine Corps League. That I take this obligation willingly and in good faith and that I will follow the directions and guidance of elected and appointed officers of the League. That I will participate and support the missions and activities of the Marine Corps League, and that I promise to govern my conduct in such a manner that I will never bring discredit upon myself, Members of the League, or the Marine Corps League, so help me God.



On February 8, 2020, our Detachment presented 5 Eagle Scout Certificates. In the back row are Marines Jerry Bradley (Auditor) and Kevin Gray (Adjutant). The front row, left to right, is Josh Thomas, Spencer Hale, Noah Clark, Eric Thomas, Ben Sorensen and Marine Bob Blake (Chaplain). It's great that our Detachment is once again involved with the Eagle Scout Program.



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St. Charles County Missouri

MARCH 21 2020

11:00AM - 2:00pm

Veterans Fundraiser

Shoot a Machine Gun

Colt M16 Bushmaster M4 H&K MP5 SD
H&K G36 H&K MP5 A1 H&K MP5A

\$30.00 per Magazine

Must be at least 18 years of age

Ultimate Defense Staff will be there to assist

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Commandant Bartoli and our Toy for Tots Co-chairs, Andy Riggle and Kevin Gray, presented our check to the Toys for Tots Literacy Foundation at our February meeting



Bob Evenson and Kevin Gray presented a Certificate of Appreciation to SSgt Joel "Bull" Bullard for his assistance at Steve Stuckmeyer's funeral service.



**VETERANS
APPRECIATION
LUNCH**

March 21 11:30am
1 Timberbrook dr.
St. Peters MO.

Please RSVP
davem@centralcountyfire.org



THIS IS AT CENTRAL COUNTY FIRE-RESCUE, FIRE HOUSE #1