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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 **January 6, 2021**

DECEMBER, 2020

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STAFF MEETING 1900, 3rd Wednesday of every month. Our next Staff Meeting will be on **January 20, 2021** at the AmVets Hall, 360 Brown Rd, St. Peters

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CHRISTMAS DINNER



We had a great time at the Detachment Christmas Dinner on December 4 at the Rack House in Cottleville. Great food and excellent service. Thank you, Shelley and Brooke, for organizing this event. For other upcoming events, check below:

UPCOMING EVENTS Please take note and mark your calendars for these upcoming events available to support our community and Detachment.

Jan 6 Regular Detachment meeting, 7:00 P.M. at Pezold's Banquet Center, 5701 Hwy N, Cottleville, MO

PLEASE NOTE: The Department of Missouri wants to know your mileage to and from any events at which our members volunteer. Contact Bob Evenson or Kevin Gray for more information.

COMMANDANT'S MESSAGE

Members of St Charles County Marine Corps League 725 and Ladies' Auxiliary;

I'd like to thank everyone that came to our Detachment Christmas dinner. I hope everyone enjoyed the fellowship and great food as much as I did!

Thanks to all of those that participated in the Defiance Christmas Parade, as well as those who posted at the Toys for Tots table, both before and after the parade.

Also, a big shoutout to everyone that has helped with Celebration of Lights and collecting the boxes of toys for Toys for Tots.

I wish you all a very Merry Christmas, and a much Happier New Year.

Please be safe and as always, if you are ever in need of anything our league is here to help you. Please call anytime!

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Semper Fi

Bob Evenson

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Commandant,

St Charles County

MCL 725 Detachment



DEFIANCE CHRISTMAS PARADE

For the third year in a row, our Color Guard led this parade, followed by other Detachment 725 Marines. The organizers and business owners treat us great and the parade is well attended. This photo was taken at the very beginning of the route. The crowds grew larger as we approached the finish line.

If you're interested in joining the Color Guard/Honor Guard, contact information is on the next page

Color Guard/Honor Guard: Our **Color Guard/Honor Guard Commander** is Jason Todd. He is looking for a few good men & women to join the Color Guard and/or the Honor Guard. 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 Jason at 314-681-6846 or via email at jltodd73@gmail.com.

MEMBERSHIP

ATTENTION ANNUAL MEMBERS. IF YOU HAVEN'T SENT THEM IN YET, **YOUR MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS WERE DUE SEPT 1st.** PLEASE SEND YOUR CHECK FOR \$35.00 TO THE ST CHARLES COUNTY MARINE CORPS LEAGUE, PO BOX 1362, ST PETERS, MO 63376

LIFE MEMBERSHIP To upgrade, contact Paymaster Gene Vaucher at 314-724-4811 or genegail26@sbcglobal.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

Chaplain's Corner December 2020

Happy Birthday to the Living Son of God!! The One who started as an infant, but became the King of Kings.

Yes, regardless of what you believe, tis the season to be joyful. We enjoy the freedom to celebrate anyone, anything (or not celebrate at all) in our one Nation under God.

So, when we gather, let's remember to be thankful for our Freedom, Health, and Salvation.

While we celebrate the healing in our Detachment, let us honor those members who recently passed away. Jim Hartwick, Walter Piwowarczyk, and this week, Gary Leibach. Maxine, Jane, and family can rest in knowing these Marines enjoy eternal peace. And now, may the Lord bless you, keep you and make His face shine upon you and give you peace. The most memorable Christmas & Holidays to all of Detachment 725.
Chaplain Bob

Contact Chaplain Bob at **636-358-0853** or [vet4god@juno.com](mailto:veter4god@juno.com)

CHANGE IN YOUR CONTACT INFO? Please contact Paymaster Gene Vaucher when your mailing address, email

address or phone number changes. He maintains our roster. If your mailing address changes, he'll notify National MCL so they will send your dues renewals to the right address. You can send updates to:

genegail26@sbcglobal.net

SHIP'S STORE

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.

GOOD OF THE LEAGUE:

50/50 Drawing: Mark Hoernschemeyer. He donated his share to the Toys 4 Tots fund.

One Year Free Membership: Since we drew none in November, we drew 2 names at this meeting. Jim Schwab's and Richard Spahn's names were drawn, but they were not present to win.



Commandant Bob Evenson swore in 3 new members at our December meeting. Left to Right are: Ray Crawford, Brandon Garcia and via FaceTime on Jason Todd's phone, Justin Reise. Welcome!!

TWO MORE OF OUR MARINES HAVE REPORTED TO HEAVEN'S GATES



JIM HARTWICK

Life Member Jim Hartwick passed away on Oct 29, 2020. He was very involved in our detachment. He assisted packing snack bags and passing them out at Lambert Airport for the Ft Leonard Wood Exodus each December. And he was always at our Fund Raiser BBQs, until his health prevented it. He received 2 Detachment Appreciation Awards and also served as Sgt at Arms.



GARY LEIBACH

Gary Leibach passed away on Dec 9, 2020. He was very involved in our Detachment's activities. You could always find him cooking pork steaks, brats, burgers and hot dogs on the grill at our fundraiser BBQs and working for many years with our kitchen crew at FOCUS Marines. He received 2 Certificates of Appreciation, 3 Distinguished Service Awards and was the Detachment Marine of the Year in 2015, He served as Sr Vice Commandant and Sgt at Arms.



In spite of many Covid-19 related cancellations, we still had several monetary collection points and many toy collection locations. On the left is Hayden Pociluiko, age 8, with the box of toys she collected by herself. Our Detachment presented her with a Certificate of Appreciation. Below is the group of our Marines that collected on S. Main Street in Old St Charles. We also collected money at Bass Pro Shop, and toys and money in Defiance at the parade.



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.com



MERRY CHRISTMAS, EVERYONE!