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Veteran Organizations Recognizes Sanders Jewelers President Larry Sanders with certificates of gratitude for the Lake Shore firm's complimentary engraving of their new bugle, used often for funerals and other formal ceremonies.



Left to Right: VFW Post 160 Commander John Ulrich, Military Order of the Cootie Seam Squirrel Don Stockton, Detachment Commandant Manny Airey and Sanders Jewelers President Larry Sanders

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Semper Fidelis!

COMMANDANT'S MESSAGE

Manny Airey



We had our day at the races on Saturday October 2, 2004. The turn out was very poor, 47 paid, but thanks to some of the Marines in our Detachment, I don't think we will lose any money.

As you all know this was to be one of the big fund raiser's of the year along with the ticket raffle at the Marine Corps Ball.

At the October meeting, we would like every member to bring a new unwrapped toy or give money, and we would like the same to happen at the November meeting, Thank You.

Your Commandant,
Manny Airey
Semper Fi! Marines

*I'm proud that I did my bit
for my country...*



Happy Veteran's Day!

Senior Vice Commandant

Tom Maiorana



Marines, I want to thank all of you that made our day at the races a success. We didn't have as many people that we had last year but those that were there were very generous. We all enjoyed the day, the food was good and of course so was the beer and everyone had a good time. The Marine Corps Ball is coming fast and all of you that have raffle tickets not turned in yet should get them in. We appreciate all of you that took part in the sale of the raffle tickets, it is an important part of our fund raising for the year.

I also want to thank those Marines that received raffle tickets through the mail, and mailed the stubs and checks back to me in a timely manner, we appreciate your support.

Tom Maiorana

Junior Vice Commandant

Denny Bynum



Hello to the members to Detachment # 1049. Our membership isn't growing like it should. We are up one member from my last newsletter. We are now at 125 paid members, that consist of 15 Associate, and 110 Regular members. Now get this-- we have 63 paid life members. That's good, its over the half mark.

I would like to welcome the new members, the newest being Shaun Roach followed by Kenneth Seidelman, Wayne Wintermyer, and now welcome to the latest Life members, John Severn, Gerard Fay, Wyman Bailey, Gary Frye, Richard Johnson, Philip Schwarzenbe, Gerald Grimes and last but not least Bill Creaeger. Welcome to all of you. Thanks to the members that have renewed their membership. Don't forget to send in the renewal slips when you receive them. You will never get behind that way.

I want to remind you of the dues going up for life membership in 2005. Just a reminder!!!! Please see me at the next meeting for the increases in Dues for 2005. "You just might want to become a life member sooner than later."

Enough about that !!!

Please bring your toys for the tots to our next meeting. Lets cover Bill with toys on 25 Oct. 2004. A very good time for all the members to show up for the meeting, if possible. Lets make the Commandant and members proud by 125 of us showing up. Thanks.



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Detachment Pistol Teams wins trophy at Harrisburg Hunters & Anglers pistol match. Left to Right: Ted Keys, Denny Bynum, Mike Hadley. Team members not shown: Eddy Groves & Roger Pirkey



Toys for Tots Coordinator

Bill Creager



October 25th is our next Detachment meeting and our kick-off event for this year's T4T campaign. From 7:00PM to 9:00PM GySgt Bellew will be joining us at the VFW Post to help collect and store the toys donated that night.

Since this our last newsletter before the event, this is my last opportunity to remind you all to please bring lots of toys to the meeting. Your mission is to ask your friends, neighbors, relatives, co-workers, etc., and bring a big sack-full of toys.

Danny Fischio, Detachment Public Information Officer, is arranging to have the event publicized in the Maryland Gazette so the public will bring toys to this and our other events. Dawn Parker, Auxiliary President, is trying to arrange publicity through WPOC Radio.

New sponsors continue to volunteer including Annapolis Chiropractic Associates and Toyota of Glen Burnie. A big thank-you goes out to Patrick Kirk, owner of Wireless-Toyz on Jumpers Hole Road in Pasadena. Patrick arranged with Sprint to provide cellular phone service for our campaign. Cpl Arthur Fuller in Annapolis has been appointed a TFT Coordinator by the Foundation and we look forward to supporting his work as well.

See you all on the 25th and remember to bring lots and lots of toys!



Public Relations

Danny Fischio



Our Detachment will host the VFW Friday night dinner on Nov 5th; menu will be spaghetti with meat sauce, salad, and garlic bread. So come out and support the Detachment's dinner fundraiser.

If you have an upcoming event you want advertised in the MD Gazette or put on the calendar of events on the Detachment's web site contact me at 443-604-2474 or email pio@mclaacdet1049.org

Legislative Affairs

Danny Fischio

November 2nd is just around the corner, so exercise your right to be heard and VOTE. Besides the Presidential/Vice Presidential and MD State Senatorial races, Maryland Congressional Districts 1 through 8 have congressional races slated. For the latest up-to-date information on legislative issues affecting military veterans, visit the American Legion web site at <http://capwiz.com/legion/home/>.



Historian

Vic Halme



This Month in History

Selected October Dates of Marine Corps Historical Significance

1 October 1997: The first African-American female colonel in the Marine Corps was promoted to that rank during a ceremony at MCAS Cherry Point, North Carolina. Colonel Gilda A. Jackson, a native of Columbus, Ohio, made Marine Corps history when she achieved the rank of colonel. She was serving as Special Projects Officer, 2d Marine Aircraft Wing at the time of her promotion.

5 October 1775: Meeting in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, the 2d Continental Congress used the word "Marines" on one of the earliest known occasions, when it directed General George Washington to secure two vessels on "Continental risque and pay", and to give orders for the "proper encouragement to the Marines and seamen" to serve on the two armed ships.

6 October 1945: Major General Keller E. Rockey, Commanding General, III Amphibious Corps, accepted the surrender of 50,000 Japanese troops in North China on behalf of the Chinese Nationalist government.

8 October 1899: A force of 375 Marines under command of future Commandant George F. Elliott, attacked and captured the insurgent town of Novaleta, Luzon, Philippine Islands, and linked up with U.S. Army troops. There were 11 Marine casualties.

9 October 1917: The 8th Marines was activated at Quantico, Virginia. Although the regiment would not see combat in Europe during World War I, the officers and enlisted men of the 8th Marines participated in operations against dissidents in Haiti for over five years during the 1920s. During World War II, the regiment was assigned to the 2d Marine Division and participated in combat operations on Guadalcanal, Tarawa, Saipan, Tinian, and Okinawa, and earned three Presidential Unit Citations.

11 October 1951: A Marine battalion was flown by transport helicopters to a frontline combat position for the first time, when HMR-161 lifted the 3d Battalion, 7th Marines, and its equipment, during Operation Bumblebee, northeast of Yanggu, Korea.

19 October 1968: Operation Maui Peak, a combined regimental-sized operation which began on 6 October, ended 11 miles northwest of An Hoa,

Historian

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Vietnam. More than 300 enemy were killed in the 13-day operation.

23 October 1983: At 0622 an explosive-laden truck slammed into the BLT headquarters building in Beirut, Lebanon, where more than 300 men were billeted. The massive explosion collapsed the building in seconds, and took the lives of 241 Americans—including 220 Marines. This was the highest loss of life in a single day for Marines since D-Day on Iwo Jima in 1945.

28 October 1962: An 11,000-man 5th Marine Expeditionary Brigade left Camp Pendleton by sea for the Caribbean during the Cuban Missile Crisis. One week earlier, the entire 189,000-man Marine Corps had been put on alert and elements of the 1st and 2d Marine Divisions were sent to Guantanamo Bay to reinforce the defenders of the U.S. Naval Base. Other 2d Division units and squadrons from five Marine Aircraft Groups were deployed at Key West, Florida, or in Caribbean waters during the Cuban crisis.

31 October 1919: A patrol of Marines and gendarmes, led by Sergeant Herman H. Hanneken, disguised themselves as Cacos and entered the headquarters of the Haitian Caco Leader, Charlemagne Peralte, killing the bandit chief, and dispersing his followers. Sergeant Hanneken and Corporal William R. Button were each awarded the Medal of Honor. (NOTE: See Page 9 for Sgt Hanneken's and Cpl Button's MOH Citations)



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HERMAN H. HANNEKEN
Second Lieutenant
United States Marine Corps
Medal of Honor — 1919
Haiti

CITATION:

For extraordinary heroism and conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in actual conflict with the enemy near GRANDE RIVIERE, Republic of Haiti, on the night of October 31st-November 1st, 1919, resulting in the death of Charlemagne Peralte, the supreme bandit chief in the Republic of Haiti, and the killing and capture and dispersal of about 1200 of his outlaw followers. Second Lieutenant Hanneken not only distinguished himself by his excellent judgement and leadership, but unhesitatingly exposed himself to great personal danger, and the slightest error would have forfeited not only his life but the lives of the detachments of Gendarmerie under his command. The successful termination of his mission will undoubtedly prove of untold value to the Republic of Haiti.



WILLIAM E. BARBER
Captain
United States Marine Corps
Medal of Honor -- 1950
2/7/1 Korea

CITATION:

For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty as Commanding Officer of Company F, Second Battalion, Seventh Marines, First Marine (Division (Reinforced), in action against enemy aggressor forces in Korea from 28 November to 2 December 1950. Assigned to defend a three-mile mountain pass along the division's main supply line and commanding the only route of approach in the march from Yudam-Ni to Hagaru-ri, Captain Barber took position with his battle weary troops and, before nightfall, had dug in and set up a defense along the frozen snow-covered hillside. When a force of estimated regimental strength savagely attacked during the night, inflicting heavy casualties and finally surrounding his position following a bitterly fought seven-hour conflict, Captain Barber, after repulsing the enemy, gave assurance that he could hold if supplied by air drops and requested permission to stand fast when orders were received by radio to fight his way back to a relieving force after two reinforcing units had been driven back under fierce resistance in their attempts to reach the isolated troops. Aware that leaving the position would sever contact with the 8,000 Marines trapped at Yudam-ni and jeopardize their chances of joining the 3,000 more awaiting their arrival in Hagaru-ri for the continued drive to the sea, he chose to risk loss of his command rather than sacrifice more men if the enemy seized control and forced a renewed battle to regain the position, or abandon his many wounded who were unable to walk. Although severely wounded in the leg the early morning of the 29th, Captain Barber continued to maintain personal control, often moving up and down the lines on a stretcher to direct the defense and consistently encouraging and inspiring his men to supreme efforts despite the staggering opposition. Waging desperate battle throughout five days and six nights of repeated onslaughts launched by the fanatical aggressors, he and his heroic command accounted for approximately 1,000 enemy dead in this epic stand in bitter sub-zero weather, and when the company was relieved, only 82 of his original 220 men were able to walk away from the position so valiantly defended against insuperable odds. His profound faith and courage, great personal valor and unwavering fortitude were decisive factors in the successful withdrawal of the division from the deathtrap in the Chosin Reservoir sector and reflect the highest credit upon Captain Barber, his intrepid officers and men and the United States Naval Service.

/S/HARRY S. TRUMAN



WILLIAM R. BUTTON
Corporal
United States Marine Corps
Medal of Honor — 1919
Haiti

CITATION:

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Who is this Marine?



Hint: "He is an active member of the Detachment shooting team."

Last Month: Marine William B. Creager, Sr. He was recovering from his wounds (shot on Okinawa) at the Naval Academy Hospital in Annapolis at the time this was taken.

VAVS

Buddy Cadle

Boost Your Health by Volunteering

By Miranda Hitti

Want to be happier, improve your health, boost kids' test scores, and even lower crime in your neighborhood? Become a volunteer.

A British survey shows that communities with high levels of volunteerism tend to have healthier residents, better academic test scores, and lower crime rates than those that don't.

The study, funded by England's Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC), was conducted by Paul Whiteley, a professor of government at the University of Essex.

"It seems that when we focus on the needs of others, we may also reap benefits ourselves," says Whiteley in a news release.

Perks of Volunteering:

More people had better health in communities with high levels of volunteerism.

More people in communities with strong volunteerism said they're "very satisfied" with their lives.

Communities with lots of volunteer activity had fewer burglaries.

Students in areas with high levels of volunteerism performed better academically.

"Volunteer activity in the community is associated with better health, lower crime, improved education performance, and greater life satisfaction," says Whiteley.

The positive effects of volunteerism were open to everyone, regardless of an area's wealth.

"A relatively poor community with lots of voluntary activity can do better in relation to health, crime, and education than a relatively affluent community which lacks such activity," says Whiteley in the news release.



Project Liberty Ship

Dave Scheuerman



On Saturday, November 6, 2004, Project Liberty Ship will host a Veterans' Day Celebration in Baltimore, Maryland, and invites all veterans and active duty military personnel to take part in this event. Included is a two hour cruise on Baltimore's outer harbor aboard the SS JOHN W. BROWN, the only surviving operational troopship of World War II.

The BROWN, built in 1942 at the Bethlehem-Fairfield Shipyard in Baltimore, was one of the 2,700 Liberty ships built from 1941 to 1945. One of only two remaining Liberty ships, the BROWN is owned and operated by Project Liberty Ship, a Baltimore nonprofit group comprised of 2,700 international members. An all-volunteer crew maintains and operates the ship.

The BROWN will depart North Locust Point Terminal to cruise the Inner Harbor. There will be a memorial service, a band playing patriotic music, a chorus singing songs from the World War II era, snacks, and tours of the ship.

Tickets are \$20 each, and each veteran may bring one adult companion for an additional \$20. The ticket charge will help to cover some of the expenses. All orders for tickets must be mailed by October 23, 2004.

The attached flyer provides all of the details. Please consider posting this invitation and the attached information in newsletters and websites. If the deadline for submission for your newsletter has passed, please consider emailing your members in the Maryland, DC, Virginia, PA, and Delaware areas. Your members may also want to forward this item to family and friends in those areas.

For additional information concerning Project Liberty Ship and the SS JOHN W. BROWN, see:

<http://www.liberty-ship.com/>

We hope to see members of your organization aboard on November 6th with colors and guidon!

Young Marines

George Martin



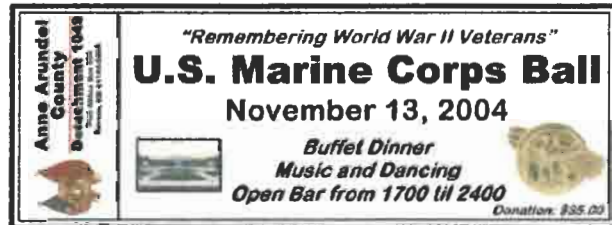
The Young Marines will be graduating a class of 18 on the October 31, 2004 at VFW Post 160 (Dorsey Road). All are invited to Attend.

George Martin
CO

TOYS FOR TOTS

U. S. Marine Corps Ball Update

Come to the Detachment's Marine Corps Ball on November 13, 2004 (1700-2400). See Ed Ross to reserve your table. Seating is



limited. There are only 100 tickets to be sold. If you have not already done so, get your **TICKETS today!** It will be an event to **REMEMBER**. See you there.



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