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It is with great pride to tell you I attended the Young Marines Graduation 2nd Unit ceremony this past Sunday, 15 Feb. I want to thank all of you who also joined me on this proud occasion. A great time was had by all. For those of you who have not yet seen our Young Marines in action you are really missing the boat. They were heavily involved with the Toys for Tots Campaign, the Senior Living Center during the Christmas Season, The Marine Corps Birthday Ball and other activities. Many thanks to Marines Martin, Shultz and Lafferty for their diligence and leadership. If you have children, nephews, grandchildren, neighbors or any other young child, male or female between the ages of 8 and 18 years of age and can cope with the physical, mental and self-discipline of the regimen set forth within the unit they are welcome to submit an application for membership.

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On 16 Feb we were called on to say good-by and farewell to a retired Marine Col. Robert Linnenbom at the age of 89 yr. The service was held at Beall Funeral Home Bowie, MD. I want to thank all of you Marines who answered the call to attend this service on such short notice. The family was very appreciative of our unselfish efforts. He will be buried at Arlington National Cemetery 1 April. WW II vets and Korean Vets dying at a rate of 1500 per month is creating a huge backlog to be Interned there.

Our good friend Karen Cline, wife of Assoc. Skip Cline is still rotating back and forth from hospital to home. She could use a little cheer so why don't you sit down now and drop her a "I,m thinking of you card" to let her know we have not forgotten her. Her address is 235 St. James Dr., Glen Burnie 21061.

Marine Fischios' dad is out of the hospital and recuperating very well.

If you know of someone who is ill and needs some help please call me at 410-987-0386.

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At our impromptu meeting of 4 Feb which was called up due to the fact our Jan meeting was canceled due to the snow and the post being closed We initiated Associate member John Ulrich, Commander of Post #160. We also presented Life membership certificates to Marine George Martin and Associate Ted Kees. Also a regular membership was awarded to Marine Sgt. George Kennedy. If some of you recall George was a CPL. when he gave of his time to serve in the Color Guard from the Annapolis Barrack at our first two Marine Corps Balls. He was deployed shortly thereafter to Iraq and then to the U.S. Embassy at Afghanistan where he is still standing duty. A personal care basket will be put together along with his membership card from our detachment and be sent to him.

We also had a Life Member, Marine Frank Campbell transfer from the Bowie detachment into our detachment. Welcome aboard Frank.

The Men's Auxiliary of the VFW is looking for new members. If you have not met the qualifications to become a regular member of the VFW, maybe you can get involved with this unit. Next time you are at the VFW inquire about it. They have a great time and really are an asset to the VFW.

Those of you who are qualified to join the VFW, they also would like to see you among their ranks as a m ember. Of course don't forget about that neighbor or relative that is eligible to join up with our detachment. Marines, they are out there just waiting for you to ask.



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When discovered what had happened it took the SSA 20 years to get most of it rearranged. Naturally The secretary was issued a new number. Millions of dollars were at stake.

According to WWI archives, the British and French Armies lost 1.5 million men on the western front. During the year 1915 they did not advance more than 3 miles at any point.

Did you know that Teddy Roosevelt's Rough Riders (Troops) were not mounted during the attack on Cuba during the Spanish-American War.

The military of the Netherlands state their soldiers belong to a union and must be paid overtime for KP and guard duty on weekends and holidays.

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DANNY FISCHIO PUBLIC RELATIONS

At our Jan meeting we discussed having a wild game dinner to take place during our Feb 23 meeting. Well, I am sorry to say that it is going to be postponed until our Mar meeting. (Road Kill was not up to our expectations) I assure you it will go off at the Mar meeting so bring your "Bib" and a good sharp knife. Please, no "Doggie Bags."

Marine Guy Hall has started a Golf Club within and conjunction with the VFW. So far there are 20+ players signed. Their first encounter will be held April 19 at The Walden Country Club on Rt 3 North at Crofton. The fee is \$60.00 per player and includes green fees, riding cart and after the event there will be food, all you can eat, (No road kill) draft beer, bottomless glass. It will consist of a shotgun start, Capt. Choice (Best Ball) and cash prizes plus other prizes. All participants will receive some kind of a prize. Get your best foursome together and come out and have a great time. You must bring your own clubs. You can bring a friend, relative, whomever. You must have your money in by 1 April. You can call Guy at 410-761-2592.

We are trying to "stir the pot" to get you out of the house and interested in something. There has been mention of forming a pinochle club at the post. If not pinochle, how about cribbage or both. The post has 2 pool tables. The Leagues playing there now are always looking for some more competition. I know that some of you out there still H

have a steady hand and a sharp eye. Congratulations to Marine Vic Halme. As some of you know Vic was the Post Master at Ft. Meade for many years after retiring from the Marine Corps and Army and at last the post office. A celebration was held last month at the Time Out Bar and Restaurant in Pasadena. A lot of close friends and coworkers attended and had a great afternoon of fun and frolicking on tea and crumpets. The Time Out is a great neighborhood hangout. It is owned and operated by Art and Kay Espinosa. Art is retired air force and a member of VFW post 160 and also belongs to the "Cooties" organization. In the area, stop in on Outing Ave. and say hello and introduce yourself if you don't already know them. While I am naming good time bars, Franks Den on S. Crain Hwy at Hospital Drive is another great place for a cold one. They are an avid supporter of the MCL and advertise in our newsletter.

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