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news for and about the members of Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049 of the Marine Corps League
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Merry Christmas Marines



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From the Editor

by Ed Dahling Editor Emeritus

I hope that all of you enjoyed the celebration of the 240th Marine Corps Birthday and Thanksgiving Day! Also, since this will be the last issue of our newsletter for the year 2015,.

As you read this, the detachment's **2015 Toys for Tots Drive** is in full swing. I would like to thank all of our staff as well as all of the volunteers, who unselfishly assisted us in this most worthy effort.

On a different note, we have many league activities coming up in the next few months... activities such as the **Mid-Winter Conference** in Falls Church, the **2016 election of officers**, the **Department of Maryland Convention**, etc. Please think about taking part in these activities and possibly running for office.

After the meeting, we will have a Christmas gathering including our Aux. members It would be appreciated if those who are able, would please bring a covered dish or other food/beverage item. Regardless, please come and spread some holiday cheer with your fellow detachment members. For those of you who will not be able to attend the meeting, I wish you and your family a very safe and happy holiday season

As always, I look forward to seeing all of you at our next monthly meeting! Since it's our goal to have a copy of the newsletter in the hands of our membership prior to the meeting, the **submission deadline** for all **January newsletter articles** is **MIDNIGHT, Thursday, January 7, 2016!**



It was honored last night December 2nd to present a donation to Boy Scout Troop 216. At our October meeting, the detachment voted to partner with this truly amazing special needs troop. We look forward to a long and rewarding relationship. Thanks to Asst Scout Master (and detachment member) Jim Galvin for inviting us to their meeting and Christmas Party. The scouts and their families made us feel very welcome. With me in presenting the donation were Sr Vice Cmdt Ben Wells and Jr Past Cmdt Ed Dahling.



"December 7th, 1941 — a date which will live in infamy"

74 years ago, the Empire of Japan launched a surprise attack on the US Naval Base Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. 2,403 Americans were killed and 1,178 others were wounded during the attack, catapulting America into World War II.



Commandant Ray Sturm



Season's Greetings! I trust everyone had a great Thanksgiving. I'm sure you are all now preparing for the Christmas and Hanukkah holidays.

On 2 Dec, Ben Wells, Ed Dahling, and I attended Boy Scout Troop 216's meeting and Christmas Party. We were invited by Assistant Scout Master Jim Galvin (Life Member of Det 1049) to present the detachment's donation. As many of you know, Troop 216 is a very unique Troop in Anne Arundel Co. as every scout has a special need. Every Scout, parent, and Scout Master made us feel welcome. I'm very proud of our members' generosity. I can report that our donation was deeply appreciated and will be used to offset the many costs associated with running the Troop. At our October meeting, the detachment voted to begin a partnership with Troop 216. I couldn't think of a better way to begin.

I'd like to personally thank Bill Collins for coordinating the detachment trip to the Udvar-Hazy Air & Space Museum. This trip was on and off a few times since October. Bill hung in there and really put together an amazing day. For those who were fortunate enough to go, I'm sure you had a great time. To see such a display of historic aircraft in one place was incredible. Some aircraft were used for exploration (the space shuttle Discovery), to change the course of history (Enola Gay), or to make me glad I was infantry (they really expected that thing to fly?) Thanks again Bill. I'm already looking forward to our next trip.

I'd like to remind everyone that it's crunch time for Toys 4 Tots. If you can volunteer a few hours at the warehouse or picking up the donation boxes, I'm sure they could use the help. Our T4T coordinator is Christine Stevens.

As we settle into our holiday celebrations, please take a moment to remember a holiday moment you spent away from home shared with the only family around.. your fellow Marines. Give thanks for those now in your place, defending our nation, standing guard, alone but for their fellow Marines.

Finally, I'd like to wish everyone a very safe and Merry Christmas or Happy Hanukkah. Hope to see you at the detachment's meeting on 28 Dec. It will be a short meeting, followed by a covered dish party. Please bring your favorite to share.

Semper Fi

Ray



Senior Vice Commandant Ben Wells



Marines

December 7, 1941 is a day we will always remember, Pearl Harbor was attacked and this started a change of events the US Marine Corp got to make history in. God rest the souls of all that were lost that day and throughout the war.

I would like to thank Bill Collins for the trip we went on this pasted weekend to the Air and Space Museum and what a trip it was. If you missed the trip shame on you, between the Marines and the grandchildren it was a day to remember. I cannot wait to see what Bill has in store for his next trip.

Please remember to support VFW Post 160 which is our home. We have tickets in for the Dept. of MD fund raiser for the Dept. of MD meeting in May so please help out and buy a couple. I will have them at all meetings until the event in May..

Ben



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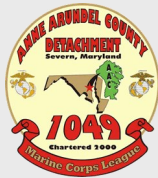
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Membership Statistics

Good Standing (Dues Paid)

Type	USMC	Associate	Multiple
Life Memberships	75	8	5
Annual Memberships	16	5	–
Delinquent Dues (Still on Active Roster 19)			
New Members			
			–
Sub-Totals			
	97	13	5
Total			
	115		

Renewals

[Dues expire at end of indicated month]

Dec.. 2015	Jan. 2016	Feb. 2016
Roy Ringgrose *Douglas Toulotte (2014)	- None -	*Dallas Cooper Russ Bixler Pat Bresette James Sanchez Erle Schafer
* Past Due		* (2) Years

Members' Birthdays

Members of our detachment, who will be celebrating birthdays during the month of Dec. include:

**Robert Foley Jr. Mike Lowman
Eugene Punte
Scott Stevens David 'Ben' Wells**

NOTE – If you were born in December and your name is not listed above, please contact the editor to be included in the future.



Rifle & Pistol

Ray Sturm

No news at this time





Corps History

by Ed Dahling for Joe Wright, Historian

1 December 1947

The Corps' first helicopter squadron, **HMX-1**, was commissioned at Quantico, VA

5 December 1929

Marine **Captain A. N. Parker** was the first person to fly over unexplored Antarctica.

6 December 2006

Major Megan McClung, a 1995 Naval Academy graduate, became the 1st female Marine officer to be killed in Iraq and the fifth female Marine to die in support of Operations Iraqi Freedom & Enduring Freedom.

7 December 1941

Marines defend against Japanese 'sneak-attack' on U.S. Pacific fleet at Pearl Harbor. Over 3,000 Marines and Sailors were killed in that action.

8 December 1941

Marines of the **1st Defense Battalion** and **Marine Fighting Squadron 211** resisted Japanese attempts to invade Wake Island for over two weeks before finally succumbing to an overwhelming force.

10 December 1941

With no weapon larger than the .30 caliber machine gun, 153 Marines defended Guam until overwhelmed.

15 December 1948

Secretary of the Navy signs a 'Memorandum of Agreement' with the State Department which laid the basis for the modern Marine Security Guard program at U.S. embassies throughout the world.

23 December 1941 Japanese forces launched attacks against Wake Island, Wilkes Island, and Peale Island. After nearly 12 hours of desperate fighting, the three islands were surrendered.



Junior Vice Commandant



Semper FI.

So I was given the mission of contacting the members of Detachment 1049. The idea was to survey the membership and find out how to improve attendance at the meetings. I did get a few comments and suggestions. These will be discussed and acted upon if possible. Hopefully members will try to come down and be part of the family. Everyone's input is appreciated but you cannot be heard if you are not there. Make some time and come on down and contribute. Merry Christmas too!

Matt



Quotation

"I am more afraid of an army of 100 sheep led by a lion than an army of 100 lions led by a sheep."

Charles Maurice de Talleyrand
French Diplomat/Statesman



Maryland Vietnam War Stories

The Documentary...

Few conflicts in U.S. history have so divided the nation as did the Vietnam War. Yet, hundreds of thousands of men and women answered their country's call to fight in this unpopular war. More than 58,000 made the ultimate sacrifice, and hundreds of thousands more were injured – physically, psychologically, on both –coming back to a nation which spat upon them or called them “*baby killers.*” It was indeed a painful chapter in American history.

With time comes wisdom, and as the nation's collective consciousness admits the shameful treatment of service personnel, various initiatives have surfaced to redress the treatment of the Vietnam veteran. To recognize veterans' sacrifices, their valor, and the price they paid in and after this conflict, Maryland Public Television will air a three-hour documentary titled *Maryland Vietnam War Stories*, which allowed veterans themselves to speak of what they have seen and how they have served.

MPT's documentary comprises three hours of dramatic television as approximately 100 veterans tell the story of the war in their own words – sometimes heart breaking but always insightful. Men and women reflect on their service...on stories of life and death, pumping adrenaline, and bittersweet moments...on their return home to an often-ungrateful nation...on life, 50 years later. It will make for a powerful and emotional television experience for our viewers, informing them of a tumultuous time in American history while allowing our state's Vietnam veterans a moment to share the feelings they have kept inside for so many years.

The *Maryland Vietnam War Stories* documentary will air on three successive weeknights beginning at 8:00 PM on **MPT-HD**.

The air dates are Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, May 24 through May 26, 2016 Mark your calendars!

The Event...

LZ Maryland is a weekend event that will honor Vietnam veterans as they gather together with family, friends, and a grateful public.

"LZ" is for "landing zone," a place of safety. It's fitting that we salute Maryland's Vietnam-era veterans here where their roots are planted. Those in conflict knew that an LZ was a safe, clear, and ready place for helicopters to land without harm. MPT will make LZ Maryland reflect the same safety: This landing zone is secure from the hurt and



pain of the past. We have created a safe landing and welcome you home. We thank you for serving your country. We gather here – with you and your family and friends – to celebrate your service, valor, and sacrifice.

The two-day event includes:

The Tribute Ceremony... Tens of thousands of people from Maryland and mid-Atlantic states are expected to attend the LZ Maryland ceremony to salute and honor Maryland's Vietnam-era veterans. The event will feature presentation of colors, the national anthem, presentations, music, heartfelt sentiments of appreciation and much more.

Memorial Chair Ceremony... A powerful memorial of 1,015 white empty chairs will be placed at the center of the LZ Maryland village in silent tribute to the 1,015 Maryland veterans killed or missing in action. The chairs will be a conspicuous, moving salute to service members who did not return from the war.

The Honor Ride... Hundreds of members of veteran organizations, associations, and clubs will participate in a motorcycle “*Honor Ride*” representing soldiers who either died in combat or are still missing. The riders will travel from various locations across Maryland and nearby states and enter the Maryland State Fairgrounds in formation as a salute to the fallen and missing.

The R&R Family Zone... A retreat for activities and performances that can be enjoyed by the entire family. Visit the Basic Training tent for some friendly competition, evoke your inner artist at the Craft Station, be entertained by the variety of performances at the *Utility Stage*, or sit back and relax at the shade tent.

LZ Maryland Market Place... will house more than 30 vendors selling their wares. From veteran artists to providers of authentic Vietnamese items, merchants will offer attendees a unique shopping experience. Select merchandise and apparel will be available.

MASH Unit... A replica of a fully functional hospital in a combat area of operations will be on display. Attendees will be able to tour the hospital and get a perspective of the conditions workers and wounded experienced more than 40 years ago.

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Maryland Vietnam War Stories – continued

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LZ Maryland Mess Hall... *From classic festival fare to traditional Vietnamese cuisine, the LZ Maryland Mess Hall is the one-stop shop for food and beverages. Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages will be served. Swing by for a snack or stay for a meal and enjoy seating in one of many shade tents. A variety of Mess Halls will be available throughout the event site.*

Wall of Faces ... This “wall” takes the form of a KIA/MIA portable memorial bearing the name of each Maryland Vietnam veteran who was killed in or missing in action. Just as the Vietnam Veterans Memorial stands as a national symbol of healing and reconciliation, MPT hopes its KIA/MIA memorial, which will be placed near the white chairs described above, will be formal recognition of the Vietnam veterans who sacrificed their lives. After LZ Maryland, the portable memorial will be housed for viewing at MPT.

Veteran Art Gallery... Art as therapy has been adopted by many veterans as a way to deal with the traumatic experiences war can present. The *LZ Maryland Veteran Art Gallery* will house the works of dozens of talented Vietnam veterans. Artwork in this area is for display only; additional artwork will be available for sale in the Market Place.

Veteran Resources, Veteran Services and Veteran Seminar Tent... Veteran service organizations will be on hand to discuss various topics and connect veterans to valuable resources. Between seminars, counselors will be available to assist veterans, one-on-one, with advice on PTSD, Agent Orange, TBI and other concerns.

Writers Hooch... Attendees will have the opportunity to meet Vietnam veteran authors, participate in literary discussions and peruse many publications on the topic of the Vietnam era. Books from appearing authors will be on sale.

Reunion Lounge... This large lounge area provides a site where veterans and their families may reunite, relax and relate. Each reunion lounge will be clearly marked by division or year or location, so veterans who have that commonality will be brought together (*example: The Chu Lai Reunion Zone*). Sponsors of this area may engage with veterans in this lounge atmosphere and are encouraged to offer a benefit to the veterans.

LZ Maryland Screening Room... *Beat the heat and step into the air-conditioned LZ Maryland Screening Room.*

This movie theater-style area allows attendees to view several Vietnam-related films, including Maryland Vietnam War Stories and PBS specials.

Vietnam Tour of Duty'Map... A map (roughly 100' x 120') of Southeast Asia will be one of the focal points of LZ Maryland and will be positioned in a strategic spot on the grounds. The map will be manufactured so that veterans, family members and friends can walk on it, sign it, or make other notations. Veterans will possibly sign the places where they served, or they and family members might sign the places where fellow soldiers or loved ones made the ultimate sacrifice.

Motor Pool. Go back in time with this display of Vietnam era military vehicles. The display will include a variety of vehicles including jeeps, tanks, and more.

Entertainment... Performers on three stages will keep visitors entertained throughout the weekend. The main stage will be the focal point for ceremonies (Opening/Closing Ceremony, Tribute Ceremony, prayer service, etc.), headline talent, USO-style show, and regional bands throughout this two-day event. Two other stages will feature regional and local bands performing hits from the '50s, '60s, and '70s.

The event will take place at the **Maryland State Fairgrounds**, Timonium, MD on **June 18 & 19, 2016** at the following times.

Saturday 10:00 AM – 10:00 PM

Sunday 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

NOTE – *This is an edited version of information made available by MPT. As a participant in the filming of the documentary, I am anxiously awaiting the airing as I hope that many of you are. MPT is to be lauded for the amount of effort that they have put forth to make this project a reality.*

It should also be mentioned that MPT was also a major player in the State of Maryland hosting a “Welcome Home Maryland Vietnam Veterans” event in Annapolis in April of this year, which capped festivities highlighted by Governor Hogan’s signing of the associated legislation.

If you have any questions about the LZ Maryland documentary and/or event you may either go to the MPT website or contact me (Mac McNeir).



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MARINE TOYS FOR TOTS FOUNDATION

A Toys for Tots Box
is located in the VFW Post 160 Canteen
Please donate a new, unwrapped toy
In its original packaging

We could use help on these days with pickups and sorting. Bagging will start on Sunday and continue through most of the rest of the week. We will need lots of help with drivers (especially those with larger vehicles) on Wednesday and Thursday. We have a couple hundred toy drop sites to pick up on those days.

December Fri, 11th 1000-1400 (possibly later, if needed)

Sun, 13th 0900-1600 (bagging)

Mon - Thur, 14th - 17th 0900-1700*

* it is highly likely we will need to extend these hours

(we will be doing pickups and receiving deliveries and will need to sort, count and bag toys for families during this time)

Fri, 18th - we might need help bringing the toys to the community college -- it would be in the evening but we don't have a set time yet

Sat, 19th - distribution at AACC

Sun, 20th - deliveries

Thanks,
Christine Stevens
Anne Arundel County Toys for Tots Co-Coordinator
cmsstevens@comcast.net or chris@aatft.org



Military Order of the Devil Dogs



Military Order of the Devil Dogs (MODD)
The Fun and Honor Society of the Marine Corps League

There still isn't much happening in Dogdom except for the League's Toys for Tots campaign. So get out there and give your support to the Detachment and make lots of needy children happy at Christmas.

This Detachment still has one member in arrears. The dues remain a measly 15 bones. If you are the one member, please remit your dues to your friendly Pound Dog Robber (me) ASAP. Make the check payable to "MODD, Pound 204" and send to 7944 Oakwood Road, Glen Burnie, Md 21061.

Our next Pound Growl will be on 13 December at the Dog House in Glen Burnie at 0900 with breakfast and bloody marys at 0800. The next Pack Growl is tentatively schedule for 16 January 2016. Hopefully by Growl time, the schedule will be firm.

Remember: It is an honor to be a Devil Dog!

Woof woof,
PDD Paul Taylor
Dog Robber



Have You Heard?

Meeting called to order by Commandant Ray Sturm at 1900 hours.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by prayer by Chaplain Fred Kaminski.

Members in attendance: 23

Commandant Ray Sturm acknowledged the presence of the following Special Guests.

Paul Taylor	Department of Maryland Adjutant
Guy Hall	Mid-East Ambassador, Past Detachment Commandant
Mac McNeir	Past Detachment Commandant
Ed Dahling	Department of Maryland Paymaster, Past Detachment Commandant
Manny Airey	Past Detachment Commandant, Department Marine of the Year
Woody Bowman	Color Guard Commander, Detachment Marine of the Year

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: Dominic Cook applied for membership. Voted on and accepted. A two-minute recess for members to meet and greet Dominic. Welcome to the Detachment.

READING OF THE MINUTES: Adjutant Norm Huffman reported minutes of the October meeting were distributed via the detachment list server (e-mail). Several hardcopies were available at the meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE: Commandant Ray Sturm reported the Marine Corps Heritage Foundation is running a special on the Museum bricks. They are normally \$300.00 a brick, but are being sold at special price of \$210.00 through December 12th.

Ray Sturm read a letter received by Woody Bowman concerning a donation of two grave plots at Delaney Valley Cemetery. The only request was the graves were to be given to a Marine. Everything is paid for except the opening and closing of the graves. (The letter was sent by a Pat(?) who received this information from a Chris (?) who is a Cemetery Director.) Jim Brady suggested sending this to the Heritage Foundation.

PAYMASTER:

Checking	\$12,121.60
Savings / CD's	\$ 5,270.86
Available Checking Assets	\$12,121.60

REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

Color Guard Commander: Woody Bowman said the Color Guard will be presenting Colors at the WW11 Memorial in Annapolis on December 7th at 12:30. Due to the passing of Pearl Harbor veterans, the past ceremonies have been cancelled. The children of the Pearl Harbor veterans are now reorganizing this event in memory of their relatives.

NEW BUSINESS: Jim Brady serving as Mid-East Division fundraising chairperson, has Mid-East car magnets for sale for \$5.00 each. If you haven't gotten one yet, please see Jim Brady or he will see you

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Have You Heard?

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Mac McNeir reported on the St. Baldrick's organization. St. Baldrick's is a foundations in which funds are raised for research for children's cancer. In the past, Mac and Ed Ross raised funds for this cause by having their heads and beards shaved. Mac asked for support from Detachment 1049 in sponsoring him for this cause. Jim Brady made a motion for Detachment 1049 to donate \$250 dollars in Mac McNeir's name to St. Baldrick's. Second, voted on and passed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Museum Trip. Bill Collins reported the Air & Space Museum trip will be held on December 5th. He suggested wearing your red shirt and cover. The bus will leave the VFW on Saturday at 8:30 am. Trip will include an IMAX movie and lunch. The cost will be \$20.00, which includes member and guest. There are 32 names on list at this time. Bus will return around 5:30 p.m.

Norman Huffman reminded everyone about the Mid-Winter Conference March 3-5th, 2016. If you are going as a Delegate, please give your name to the Adjutant and the League will pay your registration. Jim Brady reported that he, Manny Airey, and Mike Hadley have already paid their way. Commandant Ray Sturm thanked Jim for saving the Detachment \$30 dollars.

Baltimore Detachment is sponsoring a 2016 lottery calendar fundraiser. They are \$20 dollars each and the winning numbers are based on the evening 3-digit number.

GOOD OF THE LEAGUE: MCL Detachment will place a full page ad in the Mid-winter convention book. (It's already in the budget)

Mike Nelson gave a report on the motorcycle run for Toys for Tots in Annapolis November 21. There were 63 bikes which collected \$700 dollars in cash and 7 boxes of toys. Great job..well done!

Jim Brady said June 2016 has been set aside for the Mid-East Division convention. (Every state in the Mid-East host a division convention once a year. Maryland did it a few years ago in Hagerstown.) This year, it will be in Newark Delaware. The cost of a room is \$125 dollars a night. You will receive two free breakfast and free parking. That will make the price about \$95 dollars. The date for the Mid-East convention is June 24-26, 2016. Request made by Mid-East Division on how many members are interested in going to the Convention in June 2016?

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

December 5th – National Air & Space Museum trip – Chantilly Virginia (Contact Bill Collins)

December 13th – Pound Growl – VFW Post 160

January 16th, 2016 – Pack Growl – Westminster

March 3-5th, 2016 – Mid-Winter Conference – Falls Church, Virginia

April/May/June 2016 timeframe – Mac McNeir reported on an upcoming MPT Maryland Vietnam War Stories documentary which will be aired.(Mac will provide info as time nears.)

CLOSING CEREMONIES:

Commandant Sturm closed the meeting IAW MCL rituals. The next Detachment meeting will take place on December 28th 2015. Prayer was given by Fred Kaminski.

Help Fight Childhood Cancers

In the US, more children die of childhood cancer than any other disease. Please make a donation on my behalf to support childhood cancer research so that all children diagnosed with cancer will have a better chance at survival and lead more normal lives.

*The photos on the right are five **St. Baldrick's Ambassadors**, who represent the thousands of children fighting various forms of cancer – many of whom may not survive their battles.*



- **What is my contribution?**

Besides my own personal cash contribution, I will be getting shaved (my head, beard and maybe eyebrows) as a sign of solidarity with the children as well as a fund-raising incentive.

- **What is your contribution?**

Whatever you choose to pledge as an incentive for me to have my head and facial hair removed.

- **Why should you contribute?**

Because it will make you feel good and it will help finance the on-going research effort to eradicate the many forms of childhood cancers.

Should you choose to participate, you can donate in a number of ways.

You can contribute directly online, as a supporter of my fund-raising effort at the following URL –

<https://www.stbaldricks.org/donate/>

- Enter **Wayne McNeir** into the **I'm donating towards the fund-raising goal of...** field.
- Click on the **magnifying glass** icon.
- Click on the **Donate** button associated with my **2016** campaign in the resultant display.
- Complete the form that is now displayed – my name should be displayed in the **Participants** field.

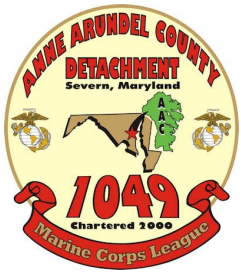
Remember, your donations are tax deductible!

On behalf of some very special kids, thank you for your support and your generosity!

Please support my final annual effort to raise money to find cures for childhood cancers!



Wayne 'Mac' McNeir



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The National Museum of the Marine Corps Will be Closed 4 January–31 March 2016



The National Museum of the Marine Corps will temporarily be closed from 4 January to 31 March 2016 to make way for two new Marine Corps aircraft. The temporary closure will ensure everyone's safety as they complete their mission to build a Museum that represents every American who has earned the title, "Marine."