

April-May 2023

The Cutting



The official newsletter of the Anne Arundel Co Detachment

Edge



24 April **INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS**

(Top) The Anne Arundel Detachment elected and appointed officers were installed by the Department's Sr Vice Commandant, Tony Rust.

(Left) Commandant Burt Helmka and Dept Sr Vice Commandant Tony Rust.

(Bottom) Thanks to all who participated. Special thanks to guests Tony Rust, Omar Jabr, and Christ Burns who traveled great distances to attend.



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FROM THE EDITOR

ALL THE NEWS THAT'S FIT TO PRINT.. AND SOME THAT ISN'T

Greetings Marines,

My apologies for not getting the April edition out, and the lateness of this one. Sometimes life gets in the way of life. As my high school Spanish teacher would say, "Ramon, mejor tarde que nunca." (Better late than never.)

There is a lot to report on in this edition. I know I will miss something. Please bear with me.

Of utmost importance was the election and installation of officers. Marines, these elected and appointed officers can not do it alone. We need your help. Your opinions matter and will help

shape the direction of the detachment for the coming year.

We have huge vacancies in the Jr Vice Commandant and Paymaster billets. More on that inside.

Oh, sorry for the abundance of photos of the Young Marines. This is a double issue and they are a really busy group of great kids.

Semper Fi,
Ray Sturm



COMMANDANT'S CORNER

Marines,

First let me wish everyone a belated Happy Easter.

We are gearing up for the golf tournament. Whatever anyone can donate or help with is greatly appreciated. Ms. Jane and Deb Deene are out getting donations from businesses, some will be used for raffle/silent auction.

Next, Marine Joe Wright, thank you and your lovely wife for stepping up and donating time and resources to the detachment. I thank you personally for your help and insight. Please continue to grace us with your presence.

Installation of officers was done by Charles "LiL Guy" Rust Department Senior Vice Commandant and Omar Jabr District 3 Vice Commandant and Crist Burns as chaplain.

There was also an award given to Woody Bowman for his service with the Color Guard at Veterans Cemetery. The award was presented by Rick Barnes Chairman of United Veterans of Anne Arundel County and signed by the county executive.

Next, we need or would like to fill vacancies of Jr. Vice Commandant, Chaplain, Paymaster and Adjutant through recruitment or volunteers.

The Department Convention went very well. Detachment # 1049 won the grand prize of \$500 dollars for the Department 50/50. Senior vice will touch on that more. 3 pups advanced to DD with nerf rounds being shot and a claymore going off. Everyone seemed pleased with the hotel, banquet and hospitality room.

Semper Fi,
Burt



Detachment Colors

YOUR DETACHMENT

STAFF

Commandant	Burt Helmka
Sr Vice Cmdt	Ben Wells
Jr Vice Cmdt	vacant
Judge Advocate	Ray Sturm
Jr Past Cmdt	Ben Wells
Adjutant	Norm Huffman
Chaplain	vacant
Sgt-at-Arms	Jim Galvin
Color Guard Cdr	Woody Bowman
Newsletter Editor	Ray Sturm
Paymaster	vacant
Quartermaster	vacant
Public Affairs	Vacant
Marksmanship	Ray Sturm
Web Sergeant	Joe Wright
Young Marines	Ray Sturm

WEBSITE

<http://mclacdet1049.org>

FACEBOOK

Anne Arundel County Detachment
1049, MCL

MEETINGS

The detachment meets the 4th Monday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Harry L. Cooper VFW Post 160, 2597 Dorsey Rd, Glen Burnie, MD

SOCIAL HOUR

Social hour commences immediately after the meeting. Come join us for a beverage and the telling of sea stories.

SUBMISSIONS

Submit articles, photos, or suggestions to Ray Sturm at Bandit6A@gmail.com by the Saturday following the detachment meeting.

Famous Marines— Montel Williams

Montel Williams built a rock-solid foundation for his life in the U.S. Marine Corps. Joining basic right out of high school, Williams impressed his superiors and was recommended for, and accepted, placement at the Naval Academy Preparatory school. After completing the year-long course, he entered and graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy. After a successful career in the Navy, he discovered a talent for public speaking in 1988.



SENIOR VICE COMMANDANT

Marines,

It is a beautiful Friday morning and I hope everyone is doing well. Detachment 1049 had its nominations, elections, and the swearing in of the new officers so congrats to the new officers.

We had a great Maryland Department meeting last weekend and if you missed it then you missed a great time. Do not forget that the Mideast Conference is coming up in June and we would like to see you there. I would also like to see all the Marines from Detachment 1049 at our monthly meetings.

Please keep our country in your prayers.

Semper Fi

Ben Wells



JUNIOR VICE COMMANDANT

Vacant

If anyone would like to assist by becoming the next Jr Vice Commandant please contact Commandant Burt Helmka or any member of the staff.

We need to fill this critical position.

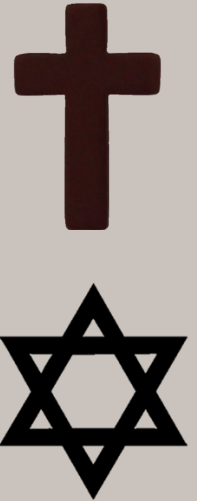
The primary responsibility is MEMBERSHIP.



CHAPLAIN

Vacant

If anyone would like to assist by becoming the next Chaplain, please contact Commandant Burt Helmka or any member of the staff.



EAGLE SCOUT COORDINATOR



29 April 2023

Sgt-at-Arms **Jim Galvin** presents the MCL Good Citizenship Award to new Eagle Scout **Timothy Clingenpeel** of Troop 771 in Annapolis. Timothy is also the Platoon Leader for the Anne Arundel Young Marines.

Memorial Day Observances

MDVA locations around Maryland will serve as host sites for Memorial Day ceremonies. Volunteer Committees organize the ceremonies. Below is the list of scheduled events at MDVA locations around the state. The public is invited to attend:

Monday, May 29, 2023

11:00 am:

Cheltenham Veterans Cemetery

11301 Crain Highway, Cheltenham, MD 20623

Crownsville Veterans Cemetery

(1122 Sunrise Beach Rd, Crownsville, MD 21032

Garrison Forest Veterans Cemetery

(11501 Garrison Forest Rd, Owings Mills, MD 21117)

*NOTE: Program at Garrison Forest will begin at 10:15 including musical selections and bagpipes.

World War II Memorial

(1920 Ritchie Highway, Annapolis, MD 21401)

Vietnam Veterans Memorial

(Middle Branch Park, 2825 S. Hanover Street, Baltimore, MD 21225)

2:00 pm:

Rocky Gap Veterans Cemetery

(14205 Pleasant Valley Road, NE, Flintstone, MD 21530)

NOTE: This list has been edited. For the complete listing please visit the MDVA website bulleting of 19 May 2023

CELEBRATING WOMEN WHO HAVE SERVED

WOMEN VETERANS RECOGNITION DAY

SATURDAY, JUNE 10TH
9 AM - 1 PM

American Legion, Towson Post 22
125 York Road
Baltimore, MD 21204

registration is required
<https://mdvawomenveterans2023.eventbrite.com>



Contact: roslyn.jones1@maryland.gov



Awards
Networking
and
Workshops





More than 250,000 veterans' claims for PACT Act benefits completed since law enacted

By Matthew Adams—Stars and Stripes—16 May 2023

WASHINGTON — More than 250,000 claims from veterans for PACT Act benefits have been processed by the Department of Veterans Affairs since the law was enacted, agency officials told House lawmakers on Tuesday.

“At this time across the agency, it has truly been an all-hands-on-deck effort to prepare for and execute on the delivery of the PACT Act,” the VA’s Undersecretary for Benefits Joshua Jacobs told members of a House Committee on Veterans’ Affairs subpanel.

The law, [signed by President Joe Biden on Aug. 10, 2022](#), is called the Sergeant First Class Heath Robinson Honoring Our Promise to Address Comprehensive Toxics Act of 2022, or PACT Act.

The law seeks to provide an easy path to health care and benefits for veterans who served near open-air burn pits, which were used throughout the 1990s and the post-9/11 wars to dispose of garbage, jet fuel and other materials. Veterans diagnosed with cancer, respiratory issues and lung disease at young ages have blamed exposure to the toxic fumes from these pits, but the VA contended for years that there wasn’t sufficient evidence to support their claims.

Since the law went into effect in August, Jacobs said the department has received nearly 575,000 claims and with about 280,000 claims completed. According to the department’s PACT Act performance dashboard, 251,584 claims have been processed with an 80% approval rating as of May 12.



VETERANS, having difficulty dealing with stress?

Feeling frustrated? Trouble coping?

Try Phone-based Mindfulness Meditation

Join us to learn what it's about!

MINDFULNESS MEDITATION

is a VA-supported technique that can help you to better manage the challenges and stressors of everyday life. Mindfulness Meditation class provides an opportunity to learn about and practice mindfulness meditation techniques. This class encourages the cultivation of awareness, compassion, and acceptance. Classes are available by phone from 11am-noon ET, roughly every two weeks. During each class, a topic related to mindfulness is introduced, followed by a guided meditation practice. The War Related Illness and Injury Study Center (WRIISC) runs this class. **Come practice with us!**

FOR INFORMATION about our other Phone-based Meditation Class on Yoga Sleep (iRest®) email Caro Fenno at Carolyn.fenno@va.gov or call her at 650-785-6661.

UPCOMING MINDFULNESS MEDITATION CLASSES

Take any or all classes!

Dates: June-August 2023

- June 2nd
- July 7th
- August 11th

TIME:

11am – 12 noon, Eastern Time (ET)

LOCATION:

This class will be offered via telephone:
1-404-397-1596 or 1-833-558-0712 (Toll Free)
Participant Access code: 433 794 55

FACILITATOR:

Lauren St. Hill, MSW, LCSW
Social Worker, NJ Department of Mental Health
Research and Program Development

NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

E-mail NJWRIISCEDTEAM@va.gov.

VETERANS, prior to participating in this or any educational class please discuss the class topic with your providers to ensure they are aware and can discuss any physical and/or mental health concerns. The WRIISC promotes collaboration and communication between Veterans and their providers. If you are experiencing a mental health issue, please do not hesitate to call National Veterans Crisis Line 1-800-273-8255 option 1, confidential crisis chat: <http://www.veteranscrisisline.net> or text: 838255. If a medical emergency occurs, call 911 or go to your nearest emergency room.

~ Our History ~ Customs ~ and Traditions ~

From “75 Years of Marine Corps Aviation—A Tribute”

History and Museums Division

Headquarters, US Marine Corps

Dated 1986

Annapolis in May 1912

*Lieutenant Cunningham over Annapolis,
Colonel John J. Capolino, USMCR. Water-
color and pastel on illustration board—
reconstruction.
(30"x20")*

Cat. No. 92-23-22



On 22 May 1912, First Lieutenant Alfred A. Cunningham reported for duty at the Navy Aviation Camp, Annapolis, Maryland. Lieutenant Cunningham became the Marines' first qualified aviator later that year, when he soloed after two hours and 40 minutes of flight instruction. The single-engine, twin-propeller, B-1 biplane being flown by Lieutenant Cunningham in this painting was a Wright Brothers aircraft purchased by the Navy. Cunningham made almost 400 flights in it during the period from October 1912 to July 1913.



MODD

Hound Dog Pound 204

Grand Growl A Success

The Mer-lin Pack held its Grand Growl in Ocean City on 12 May.

Three new Devil Dogs completed their initiation.

The Pack officers remained the same. Congratulations to Pack Leader Tony Rust and his staff.

Next Pound 204 Growl: 4 June

Hound Dog Pound 204

Mer-lin Pack

Officers

Pound Keeper	Paul Gunther
Sr Vice PK	Pat Sharkey
Jr Vice PK	Howard Koontz
Smart Dog	Ray Sturm
Dog Trainer	Leonard Steipler
Mad Dog	Woody Bowman
Police Dog	Norm Huffman
Watch Dog	Burt Helmka
Barking Dog	Stuart Blair
Dog Robber	Joe Wright

Next Growl

4 June

Dog House

Harry L. Cooper VFW Post 160





Young Marines Upcoming Events

20 May	Presenting Colors	Daughters of the American Revolution
27 May	Flag Placement	Crownsville Cemetery
29 May	Memorial Day Parade	Annapolis, MD
3 June	Family Day	Downs Park, Pasadena, MD
17 June	Community Clean-up	Gold's Gym, Glen Burnie
25 June	Swim Qualifications	
4 July	4th of July Parade	Severna Park, MD
22-24 Sept	Sandy Point Encampment	Sandy Point, MD



The Young Marines would like to thank Wagner Foodservice in Glen Burnie for their generous donation. Wagner provided hotdogs and hamburgers for the May Craft-Vendor Show.

Recruit Graduation

April 16, 2023

The Unit graduated 3 new Young Marines.



New Young Marines (from left to right) Manuel Pereira, Michael Southward, and Angelo Reyes being addressed by YM SSgt Bladen Wheatley.

Downs Park Encampment

21-22 April 2023

Earth Day beach clean-up, PT, and S'mores. Does it get any better than this?



Color Guard Instruction

30 April 2023



The MCSB Color Guard Commander, Sgt Michael Darrington, USMC volunteered his time to teach the Young Marines the intricacies of the Color Guard.



Our future Color Guard

Farewell to the Westerlunds

30 April 2023: The Unit said farewell today to the Westerlund family. John was the previous Unit Commander and April was the Adjutant. Both were instrumental in the growth and success of the Unit.

We will especially miss YMs Cameron and Daniel. Both of these young men have unlimited potential.



Daniel Westerlund receiving an award from YM SSgt Clingenpeel



Cameron Westerlund saying farewell to the Unit.



UC Ray Sturm and XO Joan Taylor-Wheatley present John and April Westerlund a plaque recognizing their contributions to the Unit. John was the previous UC and April was the Adjutant.



Spring Fling Vendor Fair



6 May 2023

American Legion Post 276



UPCOMING EVENTS

CALENDAR

22 May	MCL meeting	VFW Post 160	7:00 PM
2 June	Golf Tournament	Walden CC	9:00 AM
3 June	Downs Park Fam Day	Pasadena, MD	
23 June	MidEast Div Conference	Pikesville, MD	
26 June	MCL meeting	VFW Post 160	7:00 PM
4 July	4th of July Parade	Severna Park, MD	
14 Aug	National Convention	Oklahoma City, OK	

Please send calendar additions to Ray Sturm at Bandit6A@gmail.com NLT the Saturday following the detachment's monthly meeting.

HELP

If you are aware of a community event, and would like to see the Detachment set up a table or tent, please let us know. We are looking for recruiting events. We need new members.

Examples:

Festivals	Family Days
Street Fairs	Art Shows
Gun Shows	Church Events
Food Festival	Home Shows

March Minutes



Detachment Meeting Minutes
Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049
Marine Corps League
March 27, 2023

OPENING BY RITUAL:

Meeting called to order by Commandant Burt Helmka at 1900 hours.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by prayer by Jr. Vice Commandant Joe Wright.

Members in attendance: 8

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:

Commandant	Burt Helmka	P
Sr. Vice Commandant	Ben Wells	A
Jr. Vice Commandant	Joe Wright	P
Judge Advocate	Ray Sturm	A
Jr. Past Commandant	Ben Wells	A
Adjutant	Norm Huffman	P
By-Laws Committee Chairman	Danny Fischio	A
Chaplain	Bill Collins	E
Color Guard Commander	Woody Bowman	A
Historian	Joe Wright	P
Newsletter Editor	Ray Sturm	A
Paymaster	Joe Wright	P
Public Information Officer	Vacant	
Quartermaster	Bill Collins	E
Rifle Pistol Team Captain	Ray Sturm	A
Sgt-at-Arms	James Galvin	P
Web Sergeant	Joe Wright	P
Young Marine Commander	Ray Sturm	A

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: One membership pending, per Commandant Helmka.

ADJUTANT'S REPORT. Minutes for February were distributed by Detachment web site [and also](#) newsletter.

PAYMASTER: Paymaster Wright gave the financial report to Adjutant [for](#) minutes.

Checking	\$10,237.08
Savings	<u>2,268.04</u>
Total	\$12,505.12

CHAPLAIN REPORT: Chaplain Collins is undergoing rehab and is sounding much better. Keep Bill in your prayers.

COMMANDANT: Commandant Burt Helmka reported he attended the Department meeting and Growl in Western Maryland. Small attendance.

- Maryland is hosting the Mid-East Conference – requesting all to sell the gun raffle and 50/50 tickets.
- Now is the time to register for Life membership, as there is talk of doubling the price.
- The MCL Foundation is soliciting donations across the US. Asking for a \$100 donation.
- Since Jack Severn stepped down on the Convention books, no photos have been received. Talk of creating the book via thumb drive.

- Requesting each detachment check their roster for deceased members.
- Charlotte Hall has been rated as a 1-star facility. Working to improve that rating.
- A Good-Citizen award was presented to Mary Kate Stadler. Thirty-one awards have been presented to date.
- Garrett County Detachment Golf tournament will be held on June 3rd.
- Can contact Commandant Burt at E5DOGROB77@GMAIL.COM

SENIOR VICE COMMANDANT: Absent

JUNIOR VICE COMMANDANT: No report

JUDGE ADVOCATE: Absent

JR. PAST COMMANDANT: Absent

HISTORIAN / WEBMASTER: No report.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR: Absent

QUARTERMASTER: Absent

BY LAWS: Danny Fischio emailed the Commandant to say he will have bylaws completed by the next meeting.

COLOR GUARD: Absent

YOUNG MARINES: Absent

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: The Annual Golf tournament will be held on June 2nd, 2023. Donations will be collected for the basket raffle to be held in the Spring.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jim Galvin reported on Troop 216:

- Scouts attended the A.A. County Fairgrounds, where they participated in archery and land navigation.
- Scouts will be attending the White Creek Jamboree at Broad Creek for seven days.
- Member Tom suffered a mini stroke.
- Have 3 new members join the troop.
- Some of the group homes are still managing their Scouts like during pandemic days.

GOOD OF THE LEAGUE: Nothing to report.

CLOSING CEREMONIES: Sgt. at Arms Jim Galvin closed the meeting IAW MCL rituals. The next meeting will be held on April 24th, 2023. The closing prayer was given by Acting Chaplain, Joe Wright.

Respectfully submitted,

Norm Huffman, Adjutant - Marine Corps League - A. A. County Detachment 1049

April Minutes



Meeting Minutes
Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049
Marine Corps League
April 24, 2023

OPENING BY RITUAL:

Meeting called to order by Commandant Burt Helmka at 1900 hours.
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by prayer by Sr. Vice Commandant Ben Wells.
Members in attendance: 19

Commandant Helmka announced those in attendance:

Department Officers – Sr. Vice Commandant Tony Rust, District 3 Vice Commandant Omar Jabr, Marine for Life Ray Sturm

Department Marine of the Year – Paul Taylor (2010), Ray Sturm (2018), Ed Dahling (2019), Ben Wells (2020)

Past Detachment Commandants – Joe Wright (2011-2013), Ed Dahling (2013-2015), Ray Sturm (2015-2019), Ben Wells (2019-2022)

Past Detachment Marine of the Year – Woody Bowman (2014), Joe Wright (2015), Ed Dahling (2016), Ray Sturm (2017), Ben Wells (2018), Tom Maiorana (2020), Norm Huffman (2021), Burt Helmka (2022)

Crist Burns – Harford County Detachment

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:

Commandant	Burt Helmka	P
Sr. Vice Commandant	Ben Wells	P
Jr. Vice Commandant	Joe Wright	P
Judge Advocate	Ray Sturm	P
Jr. Past Commandant	Ben Wells	P
Adjutant	Norm Huffman	P
By-Laws Committee Chairman	Danny Fischio	A
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Color Guard Commander	Woody Bowman	P
Historian	Joe Wright	P
Newsletter Editor	Ray Sturm	P
Paymaster	Joe Wright	P
Public Information Officer	Vacant	
Quartermaster	Bill Collins	E
Rifle Pistol Team Captain	Ray Sturm	P
Sgt-at-Arms	James Galvin	P
Web Sergeant	Joe Wright	P
Young Marine Commander	Ray Sturm	P

Commandant Helmka requested to temporarily suspend the regular business to present an award to Elwood "Woody" Bowman. Richard Barnes, Chairman of United Veterans of Anne Arundel County presented the award to Woody.

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: Jr. Vice Commandant Joe Wright presented one application for Evelyn Bowers. Was voted on and accepted. Welcome to the League.

ADJUTANT'S REPORT. Minutes for March were distributed by Detachment web site.

PAYMASTER: Paymaster Wright gave the financial report to Adjutant for minutes.

Checking	\$9,979.68
<u>Savings</u>	<u>2,268.14</u>
Total	\$12,247.82

CHAPLAIN REPORT: Chaplain Collins is undergoing rehab a couple of times a week. Keep Bill in your prayers.

COMMANDANT: Commandant Burt Helmka reported that Life membership is increasing as of 1 July, 2023. The price of membership will double.

Department MCL Convention will be held May 11-13, 2023 in Ocean City.

SENIOR VICE COMMANDANT: Ben Wells reported on the Department rifle raffle. Deadline is nearing. Tony Rust has tickets for the AR-style rifle along with 4 boxes of ammunition. The prize is worth @\$1,500-\$1,700. Tickets are \$20 each.

JUNIOR VICE COMMANDANT: Joe Wright announced that due to some work changes he is stepping down as Paymaster and Jr. Vice Commandant. These positions are open.

JUDGE ADVOCATE: No report.

JR. PAST COMMANDANT: No report.

HISTORIAN / WEBMASTER: No report.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR: Ray Sturm reported he will combine the April/May newsletter and requested articles be sent to him as soon as possible. Hopes to get the word out about the life membership dues.

QUARTERMASTER: Absent

BY LAWS: Still waiting on Danny Fischio to complete the bylaws.

COLOR GUARD: Commander Woody Bowman gave the following report:

- May 29 – Present Colors at AL Post 276 at 9am
- May 29 – Present Colors at Crownsville Cemetery with Ft. Meade Marines at 11am
- June 2 – Present Colors at MCL Golf Tournament with Ft. Meade Marines at the Walden Country Club.
- July 4 – Participate in Severna Park July 4th parade, with Young Marines.

YOUNG MARINES: Young Marine Commander Ray Sturm gave the following report.

- The Young Marines completed their Division 2 meet at Cheltenham. Approximately 80 Young Marines from MD, NC, and VA participated in the event.

- Three recruits graduated to Marine status, with two additional waiting to begin training.
- Will be participating in beach cleanup at Downs Park for Earth Day.
- Sponsoring a Craft Fair at AL Post 276.
- Will be participating in the Memorial Day parade in DC
- Will be participating in Severna Park July 4th parade with Detachment 1049 Color Guard

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: The Detachment 1049 Golf tournament will be held on June 3rd at the Walden Country Club. Please be at the Club by 630am if you are able to help. Applications for this event can be found on the Marines Helping Heroes Foundation website.

NEW BUSINESS: Tony Rust gave an update on the Department's upcoming Convention.

- May 11-13, 2023 at the Grand Hotel, Ocean City Maryland
- The Hospitality room will be held in Room 827 on the 8th floor for snacks and beverages. No alcoholic beverages are to leave the room.
- The majority of Convention festivities will be held in the Grand Ballroom on the 4th floor.
- Due to the low number of convention book ads, all ads are to be sent to Tony Rust by May 1st to be put on a thumb drive. Price is \$120 for full page ad. The theme on the drive will be honoring the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam Veterans Coming Home.

The Installation of the Detachment Officers was held by Tony Rust, Department of Maryland Sr. Vice Commandant. Assisting was District 3 Vice Commandant Omar Jabr and Crist Burns (Harford County).

The 2023-2024 Officers and appointees are:

Commandant: Burt Helmka
 Sr. Vice Commandant: Ben Wells
 Jr. Vice Commandant: Vacant
 Judge Advocate: Ray Sturm
 Adjutant: Norm Huffman
 Chaplain: Bill Collins (upon his return)
 Sgt. at Arms: Jim Galvin
 Paymaster: Vacant
 Webmaster: Joe Wright
 Color Guard Commander: Woody Bowman

Ben Wells made a motion to pay for the rooms of the participating Young Marine Color Guards at Convention, not to exceed \$1,000. This will cover three/four rooms for the Young Marines and their handlers (parents). They will be participating in the Opening ceremonies on the Saturday morning of Convention. Motion second by Chris Wise.

CLOSING CEREMONIES: Sgt. At Arms Jim Galvin closed the meeting with IAW MCL rituals. The next meeting will be held on May 22, 2023. The closing prayer was given by Acting Chaplain Ben Wells.

Respectfully submitted,
 Norm Huffman - Adjutant – Marine Corps League – A.A. County Detachment 1049

A Brief History on Moving the Detachment

(compiled by Norm Huffman, derived from detachment minutes)

AUGUST 2022

The topic of moving to a new location for meetings was discussed. Burt visited the Severna Park American Legion and explained our needs. Waiting on a reply. Burt also contacted American Legion Post 40 in Glen Burnie. They welcomed the Detachment and are looking into finding storage in the building. Final decision to be determined.

OCTOBER 2022

COMMANDANT: Commandant Helmka reported he had contacted several venues for possible Det. 1049 headquarters and American Legion Post 40 was the only one to return his call. Burt will be checking with Jim's Hideaway for a fellowship meeting.

NOVEMBER 2022

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Commandant Helmka will be working on bylaws.

After long discussion on the detachment moving to AL Post 276, it was decided to table the motion and entertain it again in two months.

JANUARY 2023

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Ray Sturm reported the only days available for meetings at the American Legion Post 276 were Thursday and Fridays. Will not choose Friday as that's a busy day. Commandants will meet with the AL to assure they could accommodate the detachment. Great parking and lighting, private entrance. Will need to see where the storage container would be placed outside.

The purchase of a storage shed was discussed. Alternatives discussed were containers or a trailer for storage. There is \$2,500 already allocated toward the purchase.

FEBRUARY 2023

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Commandant Helmka brought up the move of the Detachment. Jim Galvin asked if the VFW was aware of the move and whether it would be detrimental to the VFW. Answer: the VFW is not dependent on the detachment. Ben Wells stated Post 276 and Post 40 both welcome the Detachment. Jim Sanchez stated American Legion Post 175 is also a nice place and asked if it would be okay if he spoke with them. Jim will speak with Post 175. Prerequisites include indoor storage and additional outside convex storage. Also, need to determine what nights are available.

Ray suggested asking if the detachment could hold a meeting at each venue and then determine which one the members like best.



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS.

Harry L. Cooper VFW Post 160
2597 Dorsey Rd
Glen Burnie, MD 21061

The VFW Post 160 is a Veterans organization that stands for Veterans of Foreign Wars. We were founded on May 5th 1936, we moved to our current location in June 1958. We also have an auxiliary who are family of a Veteran.

The Marine Corps League Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049 is based here, as is the Fleet Reserve Association branch 212. Our members are from Marines, Army, Navy, Coast Guard, and Air Force.

We come together to help Veterans, their families, and community in our area. Why not see if you are eligible to join any of our organizations. ~ *VFW Post 160 website*

VFW EVENTS

- VFW House Committee 2nd Monday @ 6:00 PM
- VFW/VFWA 2nd Monday @ 7:00 PM
- MOC/MOCA 2nd Friday @ 7:30 PM
- Fleet Reserve Assn 2nd Saturday @ 10:00 AM
- Marine Corps League 4th Monday @ 7:00 PM

 Veterans of Foreign Wars of The United States <small>Col. Harry L. Cooper Post 160 2597 Dorsey Rd Glen Burnie, MD 21061-3268</small>	
SNACKS	PIZZA
CHEESE BURGER \$4.50	LARGE PIZZA
CHICKEN BITES \$3.50	CHEESE PIZZA \$7.50
CHICKEN TENDERS \$4.25	PEPPERONI PIZZA \$7.80
CHICKEN WINGS (12) \$9.55	3 MEAT PIZZA \$7.80
CHICKEN WINGS (6) \$5.30	THIN PEPPERONI PIZZA \$7.80
HOT DOG \$1.50	PERSONAL SIZE
MOZZARELLA STICKS \$2.00	CHEESE PIZZA \$4.25
FRENCH FRIES \$1.90	PEPPERONI PIZZA \$5.30
CHIPS  \$1.25	

Canteen Hours

- Sun 12-6 PM Unless football. We could be open later.
- Mon—Thur 12-8 PM
- Fri-Sat 12-10 PM

Wednesday and Friday night dinners: 6-8 PM

We would like to thank all of

Our Sponsors, Supporters, & Friends

For your commitment to our community and charitable causes throughout the year.



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