

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049

August/ September 2023



The official newsletter of the Anne Arundel Co Detachment

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF MARYLAND MEETING on 9 SEPTEMBER

Commandant

- Allison Noger (Jarrettsville) was selected as the National Associate of the Year
- The department will create a new position called “Compliance Officer” to work with detachments regarding 990s, Form 1, etc.
- The changes to the National Bylaws have not yet been posted

Senior Vice Commandant

- A contract was signed with the Grand Hotel and Spa in Ocean City to host the department’s annual convention for the next 3 years. Rates may increase 5% per year.

Junior Vice Commandant

- The department gained 10 members since May

Judge Advocate

- The department needs to update its bylaws.
- The deadline to submit bylaw changes is 11 January

Scouts

- 33 Eagle Scout awards were given June-August
- 992 awards were presented last year. Maryland was 4th with 101.

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Bus Safety

New Bylaws

Color Guard

A New PDD

FROM THE EDITOR

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

Marines,

Where has the summer gone? I blinked and it was Labor Day. That means school is open and we need to watch out for kids and busses. Please be careful out there.

I know attendance has been waning at our monthly meetings. Now that summer vacations are over, I hope to see more of you attending. We have some very important detachment business to discuss. Indeed, the future of the detachment is at stake.

I would like to thank **Danny Fischio** for updating out bylaws. They will soon be posted on the detachment's website for everyone to see and review. According to the current bylaws, we need to make them public for 30 days before a vote can be taken. They will be

open for discussion at our Sept meeting and a vote may be taken in Oct. If you want your voice heard, now is the time.

Our Color Guard Commander, **Woody Bowman**, has been representing the detachment at numerous community events. He can use some help. If you are able to assist, please reach out to him.

Congratulations to Cmdt **Burt Helmka** who attended his first National Convention and was initiated to Pedigree Devil Dog in the MODD.

Don't forget to support our **Holiday Raffle**. See the enclosed flyer on page 15 for details.

Semper Fi,

Ray Sturm



If the lights are flashing,
no passing.



COMMANDANT'S CORNER

Marines,

My first National Convention and I hardly made a MCL meeting, but I was busy with 1st. Platoon of Devil Dogs advancing to Pedigree. All 4 Maryland Devil Dogs advanced. I met a lot of fine Dogs and Marines and gained some useful knowledge. I can't wait till Palm Springs.

Our proposed rewritten by-laws will be in newsletter and posted by e-mail blast to the detachment. Those desiring a hard copy, contact me and I'll mail one to you. I went on MCL library website and any changes are not posted as of yet. We will vote on the by-laws hopefully in October.

Associates **Huffman** and **Deene** are working on a raffle for November 26th. Please put out a flyer or two at your favorite establishment. A copy of the flyer is available in this newsletter.

The Young Marines and Boy Scouts Troop #216 are very busy. I'll let their leaders talk more on that subject.

At our next detachment meeting, I'll fill you in on department meeting held on the 9th of September in Jarrettsville.

Also fellowship dinner is slated for 22nd of September at 1800 or 6:00pm at the Stoney Creek Inn.

That is all.

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	Jim Sanchez
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://mclaacdet1049.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.

Full size flyer available for download on page

Anne Arundel County Marine Corps League Detachment 1049
will be sponsoring their

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Over 30 prizes!
Themed baskets, Gift cards, Designer purses, and lots more!

THIRTY CHANCES TO WIN!

CHOOSE YOUR NUMBERS 1-100

GREAT PRIZES!

\$20 A NUMBER

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on Facebook LIVE

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410-218-8673

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SENIOR VICE COMMANDANT

The Sr Vice Commandant has been traveling with the **Military Historical Tours**. No report is available. However, he will be glad to discuss his experiences in Europe at the next detachment meeting. Come hear stories of **Normandy** and **Belleau Woods**.



Monthly Fellowship Dinner

September 22, 2023

6:00 PM

Stony Creek Inn

8238 Fort Smallwood Road

Curtis Bay, MD

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.

MEMBERSHIP

CHAPLAIN

Bill Collins is doing well. He is “up and kicking” but not quite ready to rejoin the Radio City Rockettes. He is in good spirits and will attend a detachment meeting when he is able.

If you are aware of a Marine or a member of a Marine's family who is sick or in distress, please let me know.

Fall is right around the corner. As Chaplain Bill Collins might say, "This is the perfect time to reach out to a member and just check in. Let's take care of each other."

Semper Fi
Jim Sanchez
Acting Chaplain

COLOR GUARD COMMANDER

Upcoming Events

- Nov 5 Pasadena Parade
- Nov 11 Crownsville Veterans Cemetery
- Dec 7 Food Lion, Mountain Rd, Pasadena

BSA LIAISON AND EAGLE SCOUT COORDINATOR

I would like to thank **Bill Collins** for hosting Troop 216 at his home for a day of fishing. The scouts had a blast.

On 10 Sept, the Troop will attend a BaySox game in Bowie.

We also have a tentative trip planned for 12 Nov at the Goddard Space Center and Patuxent Wildlife Center.



Montford Point Marine who served in World War 2, Vietnam dies at 108

One of the first Black Marines – who served in the military during three wars – died Aug. 15 at the age of 108.

Cosmas D. Eaglin Sr. joined the Marine Corps at age 27 and served two years in the Solomon Islands campaign of World War II, according to Monday news release by the [North Carolina Department of Military and Veterans Affairs](#).

North Carolina Gov. Roy Cooper said in the release, “He and his fellow Montford Point Marines defended our freedom against fascism in World War II and set an example at home that helped lead the progress toward racial equality that our country has made over the last 80 years.”

The [Marines who trained at Montford Point](#), North Carolina, were the first to break the color barrier in the Marine Corps following President Franklin D. Roosevelt’s June 1941 executive order opening all of the military services to Black men. The men who came to the segregated post near Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, in 1942 endured racism and harsh treatment, [the National Museum of the Marine Corps](#) recounts.

By the time [Montford Point](#) was decommissioned in 1949, 20,000 Marines had trained there, according to the museum. Eaglin was one of the first 300 of those 20,000, according to [a January news release](#) from the North Carolina Department of Military and Veterans Affairs. After World War II, he exited the Corps, but during the Korean War he joined the Army and earned his paratrooper wings.

Eaglin lived in Fayetteville, North Carolina, starting in 1951. He served two tours in the Vietnam War in the 1960s, according to the release.

[For his 108th birthday in January](#), Eaglin was presented with a certificate of appreciation and a challenge coin from the North Carolina Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, Marine Corps Times previously reported.

Retired [Lt. Gen. Walter Gaskin](#), the department’s secretary, said at the time, “Because he was a Marine, I am able to be a Marine.”

“His contributions to the nation and the Marine Corps will be remembered and his legacy will live on for generations to come.”

Eaglin had six children, seven grand-children and 12 great-grandchildren, according to the news release about his death.

Article courtesy of The Marine Times



Cosmas D. Eaglin Sr., one of the original Montford Point Marines, was recognized for his service during a birthday celebration in January. (Tammy Martin/North Carolina Department of Military and Veterans Affairs)



Do you need to apply for VA benefits? What to know before you file.

The Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs Service and Benefits Program provides assistance to the men and women who served in the Uniformed Services of the United States, their dependents, and survivors in obtaining benefits from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, Department of Defense, State of Maryland and other programs for veterans and their families. In FY22, MDVA had a 90% approval rating for claims presented to the VA on behalf of veterans and family members. **All of our veteran benefits specialists are accredited by the VA.**

WHAT DOES VA ACCREDITED MEAN?

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) accredits three types of representatives—Veterans Service Organization (VSO) representatives, attorneys, and agents—to help ensure that claimants have access to responsible and qualified representation on their VA benefits claims.

The VA Office of General Counsel maintains a list of VA-recognized organizations and VA-accredited individuals that are authorized to assist in the preparation, presentation, and prosecution of VA benefit claims at <https://www.va.gov/ogc/apps/accreditation/index.asp>.

[Learn more about VA accredited representatives, attorneys, and agents, here.](#)

IS THERE A COST FOR ASSISTANCE?

It is important to know that VA-recognized VSOs, and their representatives, always provide their services on benefit claims free-of-charge. Unlike VSOs, VA-accredited attorneys and agents may charge you a fee for their representation in appealing or requesting additional review of an adverse VA decision. Only VA-accredited attorneys and claims agents may charge you fees for assisting in a claim for VA benefits, and only after VA has issued an initial decision on the claim and they have complied with the power-of-attorney and the fee agreement requirements.

MDVA veterans benefits specialists **DO NOT CHARGE** for services.

Unless otherwise noted, all MDVA Service Program offices are open Monday-Friday, 8:00-4:00, by appointment only. Please call an office near you to schedule an appointment in advance of visiting.

BALTIMORE: REGIONAL OFFICE

Phil Munley, Director
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Gerry Taylor, Chief, Veterans Appeals
Cardell Bass, Western Area Supervisor
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Fax: 410-230-4445

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Glen Burnie, MD 21062
410-424-3039
410-424-3047 (fax)

Credit:

Information taken from the
Maryland Department of
Veterans Affairs website.



44 Attorneys General Agree with VFW to Pass GUARD Act:

The National Association of Attorneys General issued a letter on behalf of a bipartisan coalition of 44 attorneys general expressing support for the passage of the Governing Unaccredited Representatives Defrauding (GUARD) VA Benefits Act. The letter to congressional leaders stated, “The GUARD VA Benefits Act would remove the ability of unaccredited, unregulated, and often unscrupulous actors to target and prey upon those veterans with impunity. It holds them accountable not just to the law but also to the veterans and their families by giving them options for redress when they find themselves victims of those same actors.”



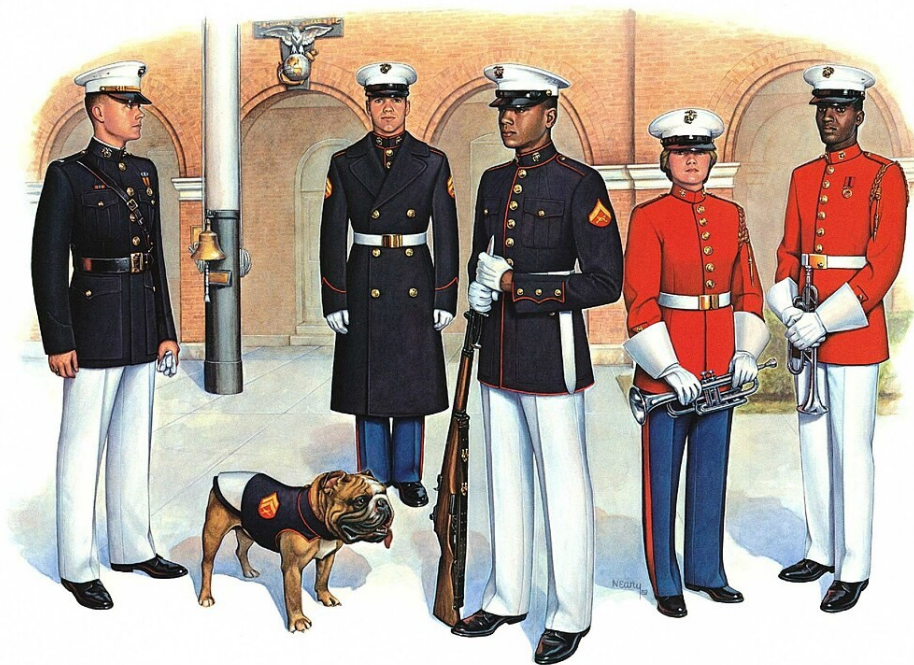
MIA UPDATE

The Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency announced six burial updates for service members who have been missing and unaccounted for from World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War. Among those returning home for burial with full military honors is:

Marine Corps Capt Ralph J. Chipman, was assigned to Marine All-Weather Attack Squadron 533, Marine Attack Group 12, 1st Marine Air Wing. He went missing in action on Dec. 27, 1972, and was reported killed in action in July 1974. His burial date and location are to be determined

~ Our History ~ Customs ~ and Traditions ~

The Red Dress Uniform



Blue-White
Dress "A"

Blue-White Dress
"A" (Mace)

Blue Dress with
Dress Overcoat

Blue-White
Dress "A"

Full Dress

Full Dress
White "A"

Plate VIII

MARINE BARRACKS CEREMONIAL UNIFORMS

U.S. Marine Corps Uniforms 1983

To differentiate themselves from the infantry, musicians—at that time, buglers and signal callers—would reverse the traditional colors. Today members of the ten Marine Corps field bands wear the standard Blue Dress uniforms, while the members of the United States Marine Band (The President's Own) and the United States Marine Drum and Bugle Corps (The Commandant's Own), both based in Washington, D.C., carry on this tradition by wearing the Red Dress uniform, which features a scarlet blouse with blue trim. The Marine Band also wears blue trousers that have a white line bisecting 2 scarlet stripes on each leg.

Like the Blue-White Dress uniform, musicians are not authorized to wear the khaki shirts with the Red-Dress uniform. Should the condition warrant (e.g., summer heat), the band will wear a white shirt with the Blue Dress uniform trousers.



MODD

Hound Dog Pound 204

Gathering of Dogs 5-7 Oct

Maryland Heights, MO

Pound 204 Growl 10 Dec

Pack Growl 4 Feb

Hagerstown, MD

Elections were held on 17 September. PDD Pat Sharkey was elected as Pound 204's new Pound Keeper.

VCDD Joe DeAngelo installed the new officers. MD Pack Leader Tony Rust assisted.

ATTENTION ALL DOGS OF THE POUND

A motion was made to move the day of our Growls to Saturday vice Sunday mornings. The motion was tabled until the next Growl on 10 Dec, when it will be brought to the floor and voted upon.

If you want your barks heard, please attend the next very important Growl to bark your opinion. Remember, one vote per Dog and you must be present to vote.



Hound Dog Pound 204

Mer-lin Pack

Officers

- Pound Keeper Pat Sharkey
- Sr Vice PK Howard Koontz
- Jr Vice PK Bobby Lee
- 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 Vacant

Next Growl

10 December

Dog House

Harry L. Cooper VFW Post 160



MODD Gun Raffle

The Fun And Honor Society

WOOF WOOF Dogs of the Order & Supporters!

We are about halfway through ticket sales, and tickets are going quick. Get yours while you can. Tickets are limited. There are only 37 days left before the drawing. You have to be in it to win it!



This is the Military Order of the Devil Dogs 2023 Ruger Scout Rifle Raffle.

The prize consists of the RUGER SCOUT RIFLE 308, or the winner may elect to receive \$500 in lieu of the rifle.

Read more about it here:

<https://ruger.com/products/scoutRifle/specSheets/6803.html>

Proceeds from the raffle will go to the operational funds of the Military Order of the Devil Dogs. So please consider helping us out and purchasing your tickets today!

In the event of an early drawing we will post the early drawing date and time 24 hours in advance both here and on our Facebook page. If not, the raffle will be drawn on Facebook live at 7:30 PM October 13th.

**This raffle is void where prohibited by law.
TRANSFER FEES ARE WINNERS RESPONSIBILITY!**



Young Marines

Upcoming Events

17 Sept	CPR Certification / Awards	Am Leg Post 276
22-24 Sept	Sandy Point Encampment	Sandy Point, MD
30 Sept	Color Guard for Fisher House	Am Leg Post 276
1 Oct	Drill	Am Leg Post 276
14 Oct	YM Birthday Ball	TBD location
15 Oct	Drill	Am Leg Post 276
21 Oct	National DDR Dash	Nat'l Museum of the Marine Corps, Quantico, VA
28 Oct	PFT	TBD
29 Oct	Drill—Halloween Costumes	Am Leg Post 276



Live Fire Training



After numerous hours in the classroom, the Anne Arundel YMs finally got to the range to participate in the Young Marines Marksmanship Program.

Each of the shooters earned the “M” device for their marksmanship ribbon to denote actual live fire.

Special thanks to the Twelfth Precinct Pistol and Archery Club in Harwood for hosting the shoot.



27 August 2023



Recruit Graduation

The Anne Arundel Young Marines celebrate the graduation of two new members, YM Privates Dominick Berardi and Nathan Copper-smith.

These new members of the Unit underwent 26 hours of instruction at Boot Camp and are now full members of the unit.

3 September 2023



New YM Pvt Dominick Berardi receives his promotion from Recruit to Private from UC Ray Sturm.



YM SSgt Bladen Wheatley reads the promotion warrant for new YM Pvt Nathan Coppersmith.



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**UPCOMING
EVENTS**

CALENDAR

25 Sept

Detachment meeting

Post 160

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

H E L P

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

July Minutes



Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049

Marine Corps League

July 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 Chaplain Jim Sanchez.

Members in attendance: 13

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:

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

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: One new application from Joe Peacy. Voted on and accepted. Welcome aboard. Joe Peacy and Evelyn Bowers were both sworn in.

ADJUTANT'S REPORT. Minutes for June meeting were distributed by Detachment web site and copies on table.

CORRECTIONS: Jim Sanchez is not the Quartermaster. The bylaws were not held up by Danny Fischio, but were waiting on a clarification from Nationals.

PAYMASTER: Financial report for minutes:

Checking	\$9,911.12
Savings	2,268.23
Total	\$12,179.35

CHAPLAIN REPORT: Bill Collins is progressing and doing physical therapy twice a week. Bill put on a great spread for the Boy Scouts.

COMMANDANT: Commandant Helmka requested Jim Galvin report to the front of the room. Jim was then named Detachment 1049's "Marine of the Year" and was presented with his plaque and ribbon. Congratulations to Jim!

This year, the National Convention will be held in OK. Next year, CA.

SENIOR VICE COMMANDANT: Ben Wells reported on our need for a Jr. Vice Commandant/Paymaster.

JUNIOR VICE COMMANDANT: Vacant

JUDGE ADVOCATE: No report

JR. PAST COMMANDANT: No report

HISTORIAN / WEBMASTER: Make sure Joe Wright has your e-mail address. That is how you receive information from the Detachment.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR: Please get your reports to Ray Sturm as soon as possible.

QUARTERMASTER: Vacant

BY LAWS: Burt Helmka reported on by-laws; proposed updates. Copies of bylaws and proposed changes were distributed. Next meeting, we will discuss / vote on the changes. If anyone needs a softcopy, let him know and he will send it via email.

COLOR GUARD: Color Guard will join in the Food Harvest Parade in Pasadena, First Sunday in November. (Nov. 5, 2023)

YOUNG MARINES: Absent

TROOP 216: Jim Galvin introduced the makeup of the troop and reported the Scouts have been busy. All donations have been appreciated. Kudos to Jim Galvin for his leadership with this troop.

- Summer Camp at Whiteford MD where they earned 14 different badges.
- Bowie Baysox ballgame
- Fishing event at Bill Collins home
- Goddard Space Center
- Patuxent Wildlife Refuge

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Fundraiser on \$500 GIANT Gift Card raffle was drawn via picker wheel on computer. Winner was Sherry Bryson #80. All numbers were sold, totaling \$1,000. Jane Huffman turned in \$500 and will purchase the \$500 card with the remaining money. Will provide Joe Wright with the receipt at the next meeting.
- Planning the "Auction" for November 26. Will sell 100 numbers @\$20 each. Will have at least 50 prizes available. Auction will be held via FB LIVE for all to watch. Location to be determined.
- Jim Sanchez requested guidance for his position as Chaplain.

NEW BUSINESS: Bull & Oyster Roast to be held in March. Date to be determined.

GOOD OF THE LEAGUE: Debbie Deene was appointed Adjutant, relieving Norman Huffman.

Fellowship dinner will be held on September 22, 2023 at the Stoney Creek Restaurant at 6pm.

CLOSING CEREMONIES: Sgt. at Arms James Galvin, closed the meeting with IAW MCL rituals. The next meeting will be held on August 28, 2023. The closing prayer was given by Chaplain Jim Sanchez.

Respectfully submitted,

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

August Minutes



Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049

Marine Corps League

August 28, 2023

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Members in attendance: 11

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APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: None

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PAYMASTER: Financial report for minutes:

Checking	\$10,744.03
Savings	\$2268.23
Total	\$13,012.26

CHAPLAIN REPORT: Bill Collins is progressing and doing physical therapy. Bill is now walking with a walker.

COMMANDANT: Commandant Burton Helmka announced and presented Ray Sturm with the 2023 commandants award. Congratulations Ray!

Several attended the National Convention in Oklahoma City, OK.

The initiations were all fulfilled, all that attended from Pound 204. It was a great time for all that attended.

The Devil Dogs were in crazy attire but however the MODD will be toning down costume attire going

forward. Ray Sturm will post some photos to the newsletter/website. Next year's National Convention 2024 will be held in Palm Springs, CA; at the Rancho Mirage this information is on the website.

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The National by-law changes were presented and will be available online.

SENIOR VICE COMMANDANT: Nothing to report as Ben Wells and Erin Wells were in France.

JUNIOR VICE COMMANDANT: Vacant No Report

JUDGE ADVOCATE: Ray Sturm will review the bylaws sent by Danny Fischio. You will find these on our website in the documents tab at the bottom.

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NEWSLETTER EDITOR: Please get your reports to Ray Sturm as soon as possible as he has been very busy with the young marines.

QUARTERMASTER: Vacant

BY LAWS: No Report

COLOR GUARD: Woody Bowman announced that the Color Guard will join in the Food Harvest Parade in Pasadena, at Tick Neck Park on the first Sunday in November. (Nov. 5, 2023). They will be at Crownsville Veterans Cemetery on Veterans Day (Friday November 10, 2023), and then also at the Food Lion on Mountain Road in Pasadena in December usually around Pearl Harbor Day, that date to be announced.

YOUNG MARINES: YM Commandant Ray Sturm- The young marines were given a physical fitness endurance test and afterwards were awarded a pool party by Ray. They also took their second rifle class on gun safety. They have live fired over 100 rounds at the Pistol and Archery Club. They met their requirements for their marksmanship ribbon. Competition is their next step.

They will meet on September 9th to assist in a food pantry they do quarterly.

On September 16th they will help with a Poker Ride fundraiser at the American Legion Post 276.

The weekend of September 22-24 they will be an encampment at Sany Point State Park.

On September 30th they will help with the fundraiser at Fisher House. As you see our young marines are super busy congratulations to them and we thank Ray Sturm for their guidance.

TROOP 216: Jim Galvin reported the Scouts have been busy. Thanks to Jim Galvin for his leadership with this troop. The Fishing event at Bill Collins home on August 12th was a success everyone caught fish. There is a trip planned for the troop who will attend Bowie Baysox ballgame on September 10th, they have great

seats on the 3rd base line. There is also a trip planned to attend the Goddard Space Center is a trip planned on November 12th along with the Patuxent Wildlife Refuge, on the same day.

UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS: We are planning the live "Auction" for November 26, 2023. We have numbers from 1-100 @\$20 each. Mrs. Jane has posted numbers on Facebook. We will have at least 30 prizes available. We need a new revised donation letter it has been requested.

The Auction will be held via Facebook LIVE for all to participate and view. Location to be determined, once a location is secure. Currently we are looking at the Community Park center in Pasadena. Debbie and Jane will coordinate times to gather all our donations and prepare for this event. Debbie and Jane have been reaching out to the community; if anyone has any donations or things to donate to this fundraiser, please let us know.

NEW BUSINESS: Bull & Oyster Roast to be held in March 2024 a date to be determined.

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Our detachment Fellowship dinner for all and family will be held on September 22, 2023, at the Stoney Creek Inn Restaurant at 6pm. Hope to see everyone there.

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Respectfully submitted,
Adjutant -Debbie Deene
Marine Corps League A.A. County Detachment 1049

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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

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