

The Cutting Edge



The official newsletter of the Anne Arundel Co Detachment



DETACHMENT CELEBRATES THE BIRTHDAY OF OUR CORPS

On 10 November, the Anne Arundel County Detachment celebrated the 247th Birthday of the US Marine Corps with a traditional cake cutting ceremony.

The ceremony was conducted at the Harry L Cooper VFW Post 160. About 60 Marines and family members were in attendance. The ceremony included the Presentation of Colors by the Anne Arundel Young Marines, Commandant's Message, and traditional cutting.



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NEWSLETTER EDITOR

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

Greetings Marines,

November is always a busy month for the detachment. We start with our Birthday Celebration and Veterans Day events, and end with the Thanksgiving holiday.

As you can see in this newsletter, and previous editions, your Young Marine unit keeps rather busy also. You can all be proud of the work they are doing in the community. Since the last edition, they have volunteered at a food distribution, worked at the Toys For Tots warehouse, and honored veterans at a senior living center. What a great bunch of kids.

As the holiday season approaches, we should all remember those who are currently serving and keeping us safe. One needs only to watch the 6 o'clock news to see the dangers that lurk in the world.

Our Commandant has some great ideas to keep the detachment rolling. He has my support and I hope he has yours also. Stay tuned for some exciting new initiatives.

Happy Birthday Marines!

May you all have a safe and blessed Thanksgiving.

Semper Fi,

Ray Sturm



NOW in effect: The new **National Suicide Prevention Hotline**.

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COMMANDANT'S CORNER

Marines,

Happy 247th Birthday Marines! Our cake cutting ceremony was great. A few bumps in the road on my part, but I have a year to practice. I would like to thank all that attended. Special thanks to **Ben and Erin Wells** who made the playing of the Commandant's message possible.

I would also like to wish everyone a **Happy Thanksgiving** and keep our Corps in your prayers and that includes all servicemen & women.

I'm keeping this short for holiday's sake. Please reach out to all members to attend or next meeting. We have a lot to discuss. That is all.

Semper Fi,
Burt



YOUR DETACHMENT

STAFF

Commandant	Burt Helmka
Sr Vice Cmdt	Ben Wells
Jr Vice Cmdt	Joe Wright
Judge Advocate	Ray Sturm
Jr Past Cmdt	Ben Wells
Adjutant	Norm Huffman
Chaplain	Bill Collins
Sgt-at-Arms	Jim Galvin
Color Guard Cdr	Woody Bowman
Newsletter Editor	Ray Sturm
Paymaster	Joe Wright
Quartermaster	Bill Collins
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.



Commandant Helmka conducting the cake cutting



Sgt-at-Arms Jim Galvin playing the Marines Hymn



The Oldest (Tom Maiorana) and Youngest (Matt Garcia) Marines

SENIOR VICE COMMANDANT

Marines,

The month of November is a full month with the 247th Marine Corps Birthday events. Our detachment cake cutting on November 10th at the VFW Post 160 was a success. I would like to thank everyone who attended and the Young Marines for presenting colors. It was good to see old Marines and their families at the cake cutting. Commandant Burton and Jim Galvin did the presentation and it was great.



The Detachment 1049 has its meeting November the 28th at 7:00 PM so please show your support by attending.

Last and most important Thanksgiving is November the 25th. Have a wonderful day with your family or whoever you are with on this day.

Semper Fi

Ben Wells

JUNIOR VICE COMMANDANT

Marines,

The following members are unpaid at this time. I have listed the years that are unpaid and the totals due to bring them back into good standing. Those into their third year will be removed from the roster January 1st.

Tonukkah Baldrige (22&23) \$70.00
Russell A Bixler (22&23) \$70.00
Charles G Black (23) \$35.00
Michael R Challgren (21,22&23) \$105.00
Daniel Enoch (23) \$35.00
Carl F George (22&23) \$70.00
Thomas W Hanncock (23) \$35.00
Michelle R Joyce (21,22&23) \$105.00
Frank R Mondragon (23) \$35.00
Stephen A Moore (22&23) \$70.00
Theodore Proia (23) \$35.00
James F. Sanchez (23) \$35.00
Erle H Schafer (23) \$35.00



Let me know if you have any questions.

S/F
Joe

WE ARE RECRUITING

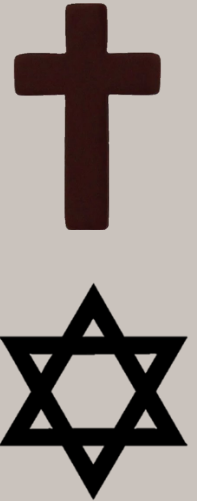


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QUITTERS

MEMBERSHIP

CHAPLAIN

Folks,
Our Chaplain, Bill Collins, has been under the weather.
We look forward to his return.
The Editor



EAGLE SCOUT COORDINATOR

If you are aware of someone about to become an Eagle Scout, please let me know. The MCL has a certificate for 'Good Citizenship' that can be presented at their Eagle Court of Honor.

I'd like to wish everyone a Happy 247th Birthday and a safe start to the holiday season.

Semper Fi

Jim Galvin

Sgt-at-Arms/Eagle Scout Coordinator





Photo courtesy of the Executive Office of the Governor

REDEDICATION OF BLADENSBURG PEACE CROSS HELD ON VETERANS DAY

To commemorate Veterans Day, Governor Larry Hogan joined the rededication ceremony for the restored Peace Cross in Bladensburg, the historic monument constructed and funded in 1925 by local families, businesses, and the American Legion to honor 49 Prince George’s County residents who lost their lives in service to the nation during World War I. The governor, who successfully led the fight to keep the Peace Cross standing in its current location, was joined for the event by Peter Shapiro, chairman of the Prince George’s County Planning Board, and local elected officials.

“The people of this county first put up this Peace Cross, the people fought to keep it up, and now—thanks to the efforts of so many—it will forever be a permanent landmark and memorial,” said Governor Hogan. “Just as our veterans serve as a reminder every single day of the immeasurable cost of war and of the immense price of freedom, this Peace Cross reminds us of the enduring principles these young men fought to defend, and it serves as a lasting tribute of a grateful nation.





FREE ENTRANCE TO NATIONAL PARKS FOR GOLD STAR FAMILIES AND VETERANS

The National Park Service in partnership with Operation Live Well would like to thank military personnel and their families for their service and invite them to enjoy their national parks.

The free Military Pass is a way to thank current US military members and their dependents, Gold Star Families, and US military veterans for their support of our country and to encourage them to explore recreational opportunities on their public lands and waters.

A free **lifetime Military Pass** is available for Gold Star Families and US military veterans. A free **annual Military Pass** is available for current US military members and their dependents. The passes provide free access to more than 2,000 federal recreation areas, including national parks, wildlife refuges, and forests.

What is the Military, Veterans, and Gold Star Family Free Access Program?

The Interagency Military Pass covers entrance fees and standard amenity fees (day use fees) at lands managed by the National Park Service, US Fish and Wildlife Service, US Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Reclamation, and US Army Corps of Engineers for current US military members, and dependents of current military members, US military veterans, and Gold Star Families. In recent years, they were able to receive annual passes. The new interagency Military Lifetime Passes will be available starting November 11, 2022.

The free Military Pass waives entrance fees and does not cover expanded amenity or user fees for activities such as camping, transportation, special recreation permits, reservation fees or special tours.

Who is eligible to get a free Military Lifetime Pass as a veteran?

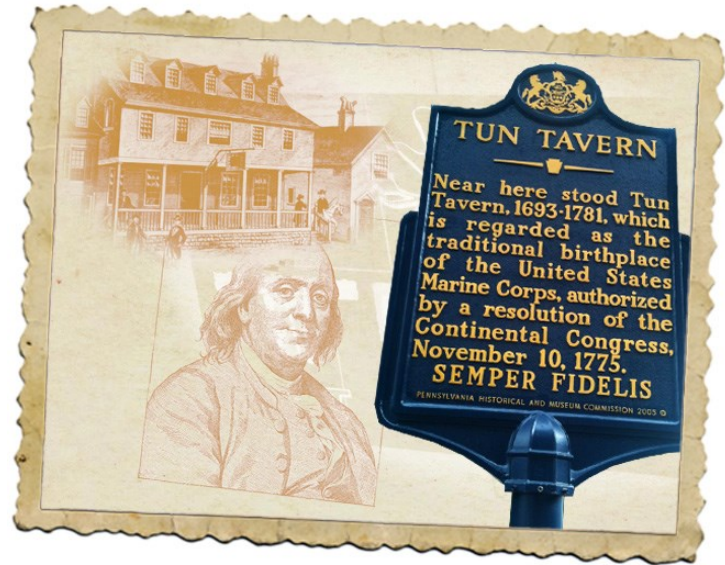
For purposes of this program, a veteran is identified as an individual who has served in the US Armed Forces, including the National Guard and Reserves, and is able to present one of the following forms of identification to get the Interagency Military Lifetime Pass when entering a national park:

- Unexpired Department of Defense Identification Card (DD Form 2, DD Form 2765, or Next Generation USID replacement)
- Veteran Health Identification Card (VHIC)
- Veteran ID Card
- Veterans designation on a state-issued US driver's license or identification card

The History of Tun Tavern

The Tun Tavern (the "Tavern") was a brew house built by Samuel Carpenter in 1685. It was located on Philadelphia's historic waterfront at the corner of Water Street and Tun Alley leading to Carpenter's Wharf near what is today known as "Penn's Landing."

Historically, it is regarded as the "First Brew House" built in Philadelphia in 1685, and among the very first in the country. Carpenter's purpose in building the Tavern was to commence the development of the Philadelphia waterfront which he intended as a site for various businesses. The Tavern soon developed a reputation for fine beers in the City of Philadelphia and maintained that reputation for over a century. Its name is derived from the old English word "Tun" meaning measured cask, barrel, or keg of beer.



Historical Events

Early 1740's The then proprietor expanded the Tavern into "Peggy Mullan's Red Hot Beef Steak Club at Tun Tavern," which was known to host George Washington, Thomas Jefferson and Benjamin Franklin and on occasion the 1st and 2nd Continental Congress.

1747 Tun Tavern was the site for the founding of the St. Andrews Society, a charitable group dedicated to helping underprivileged settlers from Scotland settle in Philadelphia.

1756 Colonel Benjamin Franklin organized the Pennsylvania Militia and utilized the Tavern as a gathering place to recruit the area's first regiment of soldiers to suppress Indian uprisings.

November 10, 1775

On November 10, 1775, Robert Mullan, the proprietor of the Tavern and son of Peggy Mullan, was commissioned by an act of Congress to raise the first two battalions of Marines, under the leadership of Capt. Samuel Nicholas, the first appointed Commandant of the Continental Marines. Nicholas's grandfather was also a member of the Tun Tavern Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons and it is this relationship between Mullan, Nicholas and the Tavern which has resulted in Tun Tavern being acknowledged as the birthplace of the United States Marine Corps. There are an estimated three million active and retired U.S. Marines worldwide who have been exposed in their military training to the historical significance of Tun Tavern. Each year on November 10th, around the world Marines toast the Marine's birthplace on the most significant date in the history of the Corps.

Reference: www.TunTavern.com



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

11 December 2022

Dog House

Harry L. Cooper VFW Post 160



Operation Chow Hound

At the last Pack Growl, a motion was made to bring Operation Chow Hound to Maryland. We ask that Dogs bring some dog food to the next **Pack Growl on 19 November**. The items collected will be donated to a local “no kill” shelter. Suggested items include dog food, cat food, cat litter, etc. The operation started a few years ago in the NC Pack and has been warmly received in the community. Barking Dogs, this has great public relations appeal.

The **next Pack Growl** will be on 19 Nov at VFW Post 7472 in Ellicott City. The Growl follows the Dept of MD quarterly meeting.

Next Pound Growl is 11 December at VFW Post 160

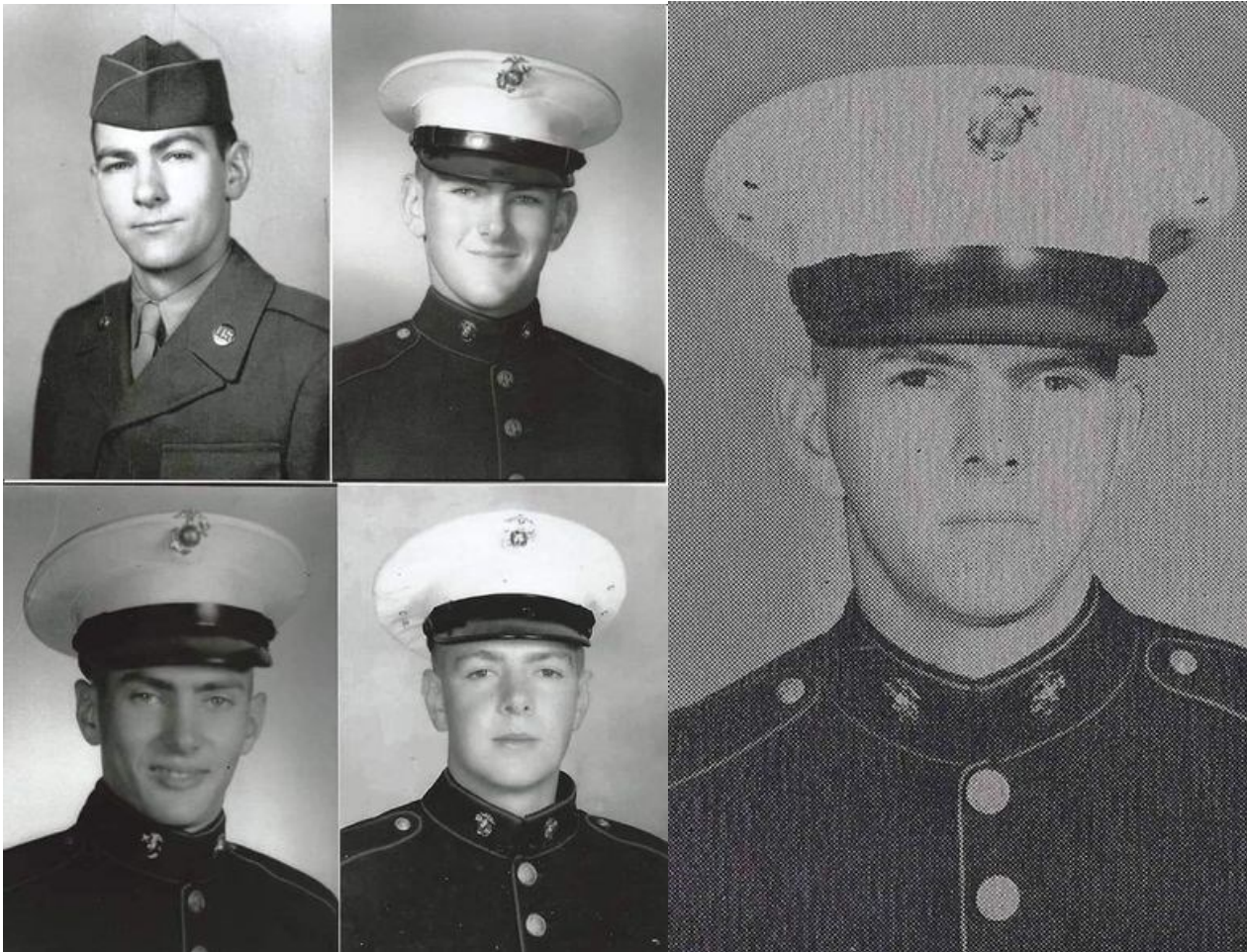


Veterans Day Family Spotlights

**What so proudly they
served...**



From Tom Maiorana's Facebook page..



From **Jane Huffman's** Facebook page. Thank you to all Veterans for their service to our country. Brothers Bill (USA), Jim (USMC), John (USMC) Howard (USMC) and husband **Norm Huffman**.



Hosted by the National Public Relations Committee



No information available. Will advise on next Zoom.



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Young Marines

Upcoming Events

13 Nov	Unit Drill	AmLeg Post 276	1:30 to 5:00 PM
27 Nov	Land Nav & Conservation	Downs Park	1:30 to 5:00 PM
3 Dec	Craft Fundraiser	Bowie Elks Club	
17 Dec	Wreaths Across America	Crownsville	
17 Dec	Unit Holiday Party		3:30 to ?
28 Dec	Holiday Bowl Parade	Annapolis	
8 Jan	Unit Drill	AmLeg Post 276	1:30 to 5:00 PM
22 Jan	Unit Drill	AmLeg Post 276	1:30 to 5:00 PM
5 Feb	Unit Drill	AmLeg Post 276	1:30 to 5:00 PM
17–19 Feb	Encampment	Cheltenham	

ATTENTION CRAFTERS

We are looking for crafters who would like to rent a table at our December Holiday Bazaar.

If you are interested, please see and follow the directions on the flyer on the next page. All proceeds from table fees will benefit the Anne Arundel Young Marines.

ANNE ARUNDEL YOUNG MARINES
HOLIDAY BAZAAR

CRAFTERS WANTED!!!!

SPACES WILL BE OPEN FIRST TO CRAFTERS.

If spaces remain, we will open up to Direct Sales at a
later date

DECEMBER 3, 2022 (10 AM – 2 PM)

Elks Bowie – 1506 Defense Hwy – Gambills, MD
21054

Provided – 8' Table with 2 Chairs

\$50 per space inside (34 available) - \$40 outside space
(5 available)

\$100 Spaces available for Food Trucks (5 available)

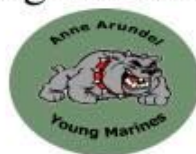
Please email me to request an application.

(jcowger55@gmail.com)

Provide your name, email, type of craft ***with a picture of your crafts***, preference for indoor or outdoor space and if electricity is needed. If/When approved, you will be sent the application with payment information that will be required to be made within 72 hours after receiving email. PAYMENTS MADE THROUGH PAYPAL.

Direct sales can submit information to be put on the waiting list if spaces become available.

We will be limiting types of crafters so we have lots of variety. Sponsor: ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY YOUNG MARINES. If you would like more information about the Anne Arundel Young Marines, please visit youngmarines.org or facebook



Community Service



YM Charlie Knott and UC Ray Sturm



YM Zevon Hill



YM Grady Harig and YM Hudson Mager



YM Hudson Mager



YM Bladen Wheatley



YM Zevon Hill



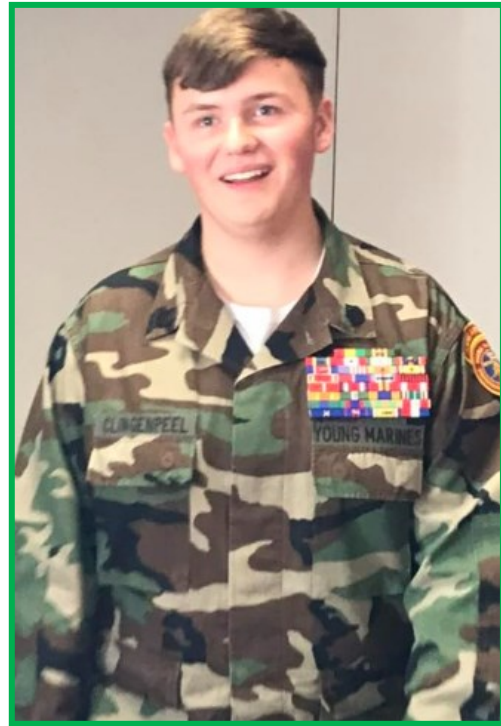
YM Daniel Westerlund

On 29 October, the Anne Arundel Young Marines had the very humbling experience of volunteering at a **Maryland Food Bank** food distribution sponsored by **North Glen Community Church**. Thank you to the Mager family for inviting us to help.

Congratulations to the 2022 Young Marines of the Year



Maryland Regiment, Junior Young Marine of the Year
YM Sgt Bladen Wheatley



Anne Arundel Young Marines, Young Marine of the Year
YM SSgt Timothy Clingenpeel



Presenting Colors at the MCL Detachment's cake cutting ceremony for the 247th Birthday of the US Marine Corps
L to R ; Skylar Hiatt, Timothy Clingenpeel, Nick Walker, Grady Harig, Hudson Mager

Brightview-Annapolis Veterans Appreciation



On November 11, the Anne Arundel Young Marines celebrated Veterans Day by participating in ceremonies honoring the veterans at Brightview Senior Living in Annapolis.

The Young Marines presented Colors, saluted the veterans and families, and interacted with the residents.

After the ceremonies, the Young Marines joined the residents in a Veterans Day lunch provided by Mission BBQ.





Working the warehouse



Cameron Westerlund, Timothy Clingenpeel, Daniel Westerlund, Maj Peter Smith, USMCR



YM Cpl Cameron Westerlund moving boxes from one room to another.



YM Cpl Cameron Westerlund, YM SSgt Timothy Clingenpeel, and YM LCpl Daniel Westerlund



YM LCpl Daniel Westerlund ponders the next pallet.

UPCOMING EVENTS

CALENDAR

19 Nov	Dept of MD meeting	Ellicott City	9:00 AM
28 Nov	MCL meeting	VFW Post 160	7:00 PM
19 Dec	MCL meeting	VFW Post 160	7:00 PM
23 Feb	Midwinter Conf	Norfolk, VA	
11 May	Dept of MD Convention	Ocean City, MD	

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



9-8-8

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Minutes



Detachment Meeting Minutes
Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049
Marine Corps League
October 24, 2022

October 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: 11

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 Huffinan	P
By-Laws Committee Chairman	Danny Fischio	A
Chaplain	Bill Collins	E
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

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: None

ADJUTANT'S REPORT: Minutes from the September meeting were posted on the website and in the newsletter. Copies available on the table.

PAYMASTER: The financial report was given by Jr. Vice Commandant Joe Wright.

Savings:	\$ 2,267.57
Checking:	<u>\$10,120.11</u>
Total Detachment Assets	\$12,387.68

CHAPLAIN REPORT: Acting Chaplain Ben Wells asked everyone to keep Bill Collins in prayer.

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.

SENIOR VICE COMMANDANT: Ben Wells stressed we need more members.

JUNIOR VICE COMMANDANT: Joe Wright announced Burt Helmka is our newest Life Member.

JUDGE ADVOCATE: No report.

JR. PAST COMMANDANT: No report.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR: Ray Sturm expressed apologies for the delay in getting the newsletter out.

QUARTERMASTER: Absent.

WEB SERGEANT: No report.

COLOR GUARD: Commander Woody Bowman reported the upcoming events: November 6 – PBA Parade, November 11 – American Legion Post 276 (9am), Crownsville Cemetery (11am), December 7 – Food Lion

YOUNG MARINES: Young Marine Commander Ray Sturm reported the Young Marines calendar is full. They were named Unit of the Year (2nd year in a row).

- Visited Quantico and were the largest unit represented.
- Attended the Fisher House event at American Legion Post 276. (May move to American Legion Post 276 as their headquarters)
- Will participate in USMC Cake cutting at VFW Post 160 on November 10.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Commandant Helmka reported he will be going through the bylaws for any updates.

Nila Caulder reported the Fisher House event brought in \$49K to date. This is the 13th year for the event. Nila thanked the Color Guard and the Young Marines for their participation.

NEW BUSINESS: The USMC Birthday cake cutting will be held on November 10th at 7pm at Post 160.

GOOD OF THE LEAGUE: Norm Huffman reminded everyone the PBA's annual Veteran's ceremony (held at the big flag on Mountain Road) will be held on November 11th at 1pm. Park at the far ball field on Woods Road. Wagon transportation is provided for those having trouble walking.

CLOSING CEREMONIES: Sgt. at Arms Jim Galvin closed the meeting IAW MCL rituals. The next meeting will be held on November 21, 2022. Closing prayer was given by Acting Chaplain Ben Wells.

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



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



ANNE ARUNDEL YOUNG MARINES HOLIDAY BAZAAR

Saturday December 3, 2022

10 AM—2 PM

Bowie Elks - 1506 Defense Hwy—Gambrills MD 21054

Holiday Shopping—Lots of Crafters, Homemade Items and Vendors

Come out and shop for Christmas, Birthdays or Yourself—Help support our local crafters and vendors

VENDORS: Quilts, Scrubs, Tumblers, Soaps, Keychains, Hair bows, Paper Boxes, Esthetician, Scentsy, Candles, Tupperware, Home Décor, Greeting Cards, Botanical Body Care, Color Street, Tastefully Simple, Avon

LOOK FOR THE DONATED BASKET RAFFLE TABLE



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