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Marines in the Movies

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Who Am I?

He was born 18 October 1927 in Wise Virginia where his father was a coal mine surveyor. When the Depression took away that job father moved the family to Pontiac Michigan for a new job at the Buick assembly plant. His wife held down the fort at home where she also wrote poetry, gave readings and taught her two children to enjoy reading stories aloud. When his mother died (he was eight at the time) the overwhelming loss of her guidance turned to rage which this future Marine directed toward football and any other physical activity he could attack. After graduating from high school where he focused on baseball he joined the Marine on 16 June 1945. By the time he graduated Parris Island (Platoon 329) World War II had ended.

After P.I. he was sent to Marine Barracks, Washington DC. Among his duties was serving as part of the grave detail during military honors for veterans buried at Arlington National Cemetery. He had been greatly disappointed at missing combat but after seeing hundreds of burials and the devastated widows left behind he began to see war in the brutal light of reality.

He was discharged as a staff sergeant on 15 June 1949 receiving the WWII Victory Medal and the Good Conduct Medal. He used the GI Bill to attend the University of Missouri. At 21 he was already fighting a personal war with his inner rage and an excessive drinking habit. While at UM he studied drama and journalism and worked with a theater group. He played the lead in several university productions. This led to teaching a literature course at Stephens College for Women in Columbia Missouri. He married one of his students (his first of 5 marriages) in 1951. In 1954 he moved with his second wife to New York where she worked in a as a secretary and he in a bank. He faced rejection after rejection trying out for acting jobs. Finally in 1957 He landed the lead role in Richard III. This was the start of a distinguished acting career.

Through his career he was nominated for several (winning one) Oscars, several Emmy awards, a National Critic's Choice award and numerous other awards to recognize his enormous talent. He and his various wives had 5 children including 2 actors. You might not recognize him as King Richard III or as Gen. Buck Turgidson (Dr. Stranglove – 1964) or any of the 93 other roles he played on television and movies but I am sure you would recognize him with his chrome helmet liner as General George S. Patton – yes, our Marine actor is none other than George C. Scott



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Shrinerfest

Art Midle, Committee Chairman

It is that time of year again, time to start planning for our Shrinerfest fundraiser. This year the festival is being held from June 24th to the 28th. Each year it has gotten bigger and better. This year is going to be even better with the addition of the Blue Angels to the air show. More information on that development as it becomes available.

I will be calling on several members to be on the planning committee. What we really are in need of this year is a full size refrigerator to use that weekend. If you have one or know where we can borrow one give me a call at 812-760-4349.



Service Record Request

Don Landers Sr, Adjutant/Paymaster

Request Your Military Service Records Online, by Mail, or by Fax

(Includes DD 214/Separation Documents, Personnel Records, and/or Medical Records)

You can use the link listed here to request not only your DD 214 but all of your military records. Be sure to follow the instructions. This service is free to veterans and next of kin.

<http://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/>



ONCE A MARINE ALWAYS A MARINE



Seventh Annual Marine Corps League Auxiliary Bowling Tournament



**Sponsored by
Southern Belles Unit 441**

Bowlers, and non-bowlers can get in on the action of this bowling event. The proceeds from this event will help fund the activities of Southern Belles Unit 441, such as community projects and Operation Care Package. There will be Door Prize Drawings, a 50/50 Drawing, and a silent auction with great merchandise to bid on. So come on down to Franklin Lanes on Saturday, May 9, 2015.

If you don't want to get a team together you can still help by participating in the silent auction.

Join Us For a Fun Afternoon

Saturday, May 9, 2015

Franklin Lanes

11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Entry Fee: \$60 per team of 4

9-Pin No Tap * Three Games

Mixed Teams (No separate divisions)

Registration Deadline is May 2, 2015

Your entry fee includes:

Three games of bowling * Shoe Rental *

2 Soft Drinks * Prize drawings

Prizes

First Place Team - \$200

Second Place Team - \$100

Third Place Team - \$50

High Series Male - \$25

High Series Female - \$25

Prizes are based on 40 bowlers, we reserve the right to lower prize money based on number of participants.

In case of a tie, prize money will be combined.

Sponsorship Opportunities

Semper Fi Sponsor

[] \$200 - Includes business or sponsor name on Semper Fi Signage, 1 team of 4

Lane Sponsor

[] \$100 - Includes business or sponsor name on Signage

Entry Form

Contact Person:

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Team Name: _____

Team Members:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Make Checks Payable to **Southern Belles Unit 441**

To pay using debt card or credit card please use our convenient online registration form at

www.mclrivercities.org/auxiliary

Newsletter Booster Club

<i>Booster Member</i>	<i>Expires</i>
John & Dottie Mills	Feb - 15
Dot Odum	Feb - 15
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Tom & Alice Kick	Mar - 15
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Irene Blessing	May - 15
Larry & Casey Scott	May - 15
Joe and Kathy Filipczak	May - 15
Bill Bittner	June - 15
Luddie DeVaughn Jr	Oct - 15
Casey Canfield	Oct - 15
Paul & Yolanda Sowders	Nov - 15
Gary Burk	Dec - 15
David Jones	Dec - 15
Southern Belles Unit 441	Feb - 16

A big thank you to all those that donate to the Newsletter Booster Club. We still need Booster Members, **a donation of \$5.00 per individual or more** is all it takes to become a member. As a Booster Member you get your name listed in the Newsletter for 1 year. This lets everyone know that you help support the River Cities News. The Booster Club and Advertisements help to **defray** the cost of printing and postage.

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www.mclrivercities.org/news

Anyone can use these forms to put an ad in the newsletter. The editor has the right to reject an ad that is not appropriate such as loan companies, adult entertainment, etc.

We have space available in our ad pages.

Advertisements are available at the following rates.

- Business Card Size...\$15.00 for 6 months
- 1/4 page \$25.00 for 6 months
- 1/2 page\$50.00 for 6 months

Information on Life Membership

National Bylaws Article Six - Members, Section 645 - Life Members:

Any member of the Marine Corps League who is in good standing may become a Life Member, upon proper payment of the fee, as is required herein. A Life Member shall be subject to payment of no further dues of a Detachment, or National, such member shall have all the privileges, rights, and benefits enjoyed as a member so long as that Life Member shall live.

Current Life Membership Price Information

As of January 2014

- Up to and including age 35 - \$500.00**
- Age 36 up to and including age 50 - \$400.00**
- Age 51 up to and including age 64 - \$300.00**
- Age 65 and over - \$200.00**

The cost of replacing a Life Membership Gold Card is \$10.00

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They help make this Newsletter possible

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Associate Renewals

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 Irene Blessing

**Note: Annual
 Membership Dues New
 and Renewal \$35.00**


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March 2015



Steve Hanmore 3/1
 Joseph Barron 3/5
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 William Ethridge 3/17
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 A.J. Hardin 3/27
 James Kirby 3/27
 Mike Kremer 3/27
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 Frank Lamee 3/30

Note: If we did not list your birthday, it was an oversight or we don't have it on our roster. Please contact us so we can correct the error next year.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Breakfast Pie Pan 8:00 a.m.	3	4	5	6	7 MCL Dept of Indiana Spring Conference Kokomo, IN
8 MCL Dept of Indiana Spring Conference Kokomo, IN	9 Breakfast Pie Pan 8:00 a.m.	10	11	12	13	14
15	16 Breakfast Pie Pan 8:00 a.m.	17 	18	19	20	21
22	23 MCLA Unit 441 Southern Belles 6 p.m. AmVets 84	24	25 MCL Det. 1090 7:00 p.m. VFW 1114	26	27	28
29	30 Breakfast Pie Pan 8:00 a.m.	30	Newsletter Articles, Ads, and Pictures for April 2015 are due <u>NO LATER THAN</u> March 25, 2015			