

# St Charles County Detachment SCUTTLEBUTT

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**<u>DETACHMENT MEETING</u>** 1900, 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of every month at the **Elks Lodge**, 1163 Tom Ginnever Ave, O'Fallon, MO. Our next meeting is **April 2, 2025**.

MARCH, 2025

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**STAFF MEETING** 1900, 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of every month. Our next Staff Meeting will be on **April 16, 2025** at the AmVets Hall, 360 Brown Rd, St. Peters

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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

April 26 May 31

April 2 Installation Dinner, Swearing-In Ceremony, Cost, at O'Fallon Elks Lodge,

\$25 per person at the door. Cash or check.

Uniform of the Day- Taking oath- Red Blazers. All others – Business Casual/MCL shirts. Fundraiser BBQ in the Valenti's Meat Market Parking Lot, 6750 Mexico Rd, St Peters, MO. Fundraiser BBQ in the Valenti's Meat Market Parking Lot, 6750 Mexico Rd, St Peters, MO.

June 20 Detachment Family Picnic, O'Fallon, MO VFW

Sept 13 Fundraiser BBQ in the Valenti's Meat Market Parking Lot, 6750 Mexico Rd, St Peters, MO. BBQ SHIFTS: Set Up 8AM-11AM Serve 11AM-3PM Tear Down/Pack Up 3PM-6PM

# **ELECTION RESULTS**

Commandant Doug Lane Sr Vice Commandant Matt White Jr Vice Commandant Ed Rau Judge Advocate Janice Hartly Mark Hoernschemever **Bob Blake** Paymaster Chaplain **Dave Thomas** Sqt at Arns Adjutant Kirgan Taylor Jerry Bradley Auditor – 2 year Auditor – 1 year Andy Riggle

#### **COMMANDANT'S MESSAGE**

Hello Marines, It has been a productive past 30 days. I am looking forward to our installation banquet and more importantly, serving with our new officers. Thank you to Hugh Nesbit for assisting with the installation process.

Hugh has held many positions at many levels over the years and I appreciate his assistance.

As you may have heard we have recruiting poker chips!!! Thank you again Stel. We will have these available at the banquet. I would ask that everyone grab 1 or 2- BUT if you are an active recruiter of sorts then grab more!!!

I would like to thank our election committee for their work for the detachment. I look forward to seeing all of you at the banquet. Thank you again for your confidence in me for another year!!!! Semper Fi.

Doug

<u>COLOR GUARD:</u> Color Guard/Honor Guard Commander, Matt White, is looking for a few good men & women to join the Color Guard and/or the Honor Guard. If you're retired or able to get a day off once in a while, we could use your help. Many of the events are on weekends or holidays. For more details, please contact Matt at 636-515-4822 or via email at <a href="mailto:mawhite93@gmail.com">mawhite93@gmail.com</a>.

<u>LIFE MEMBERSHIP</u> To upgrade, contact Paymaster Shelley Evenson at: 620-560-4356 or by email at <u>shelkaye67@gmail.com</u>. New fees are listed below.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP (ONE-TIME FEE)

AGE: 0-35 36-50 51-64 65-84 85 & over FEE: \$1000.00 \$800.00 \$600.00 \$400.00 \$100.00

#### **CHAPLAIN'S CORNER**

Chaplains Corner March 2025

Hey!! This is the day the Lord has made! Let's party and work hard.

With the weather breaking, let's enjoy ourselves and each other. Enjoy helping ourselves and each other. Enjoy His Devine Healing, like Andy, Curtis, Bob E and other members are doing. Events like our BBQ's, Honor Guard, visiting members that may not be able to get out on their own, etc. will be easier and more fun now.

These are all examples of doing The Lord's work. It doesn't have to be religious to make Him grin. Chaplain Bob

Contact Chaplain Bob at 636-358-0853 or vet4god@juno.com

<u>CHANGE IN YOUR CONTACT INFO?</u> Please contact Paymaster Shelley Evenson when your USPS address, email address or phone number changes. She maintains our roster. If your mailing address changes, she'll notify National MCL so they will send your dues renewals to the right address. You can send updates to: <a href="mailto:shelkaye67@gmail.com">shelkaye67@gmail.com</a>.

#### SHIP'S STORE

He has MCL Covers, Sateen Jackets, Marine T-Shirts, etc.

#### NATIONAL, DEPARTMENT, & DETACHMENT Website Addresses

For information on future National or Dept of Missouri or Detachment events go to the websites, below:

National Dept of Missouri St Charles County Detachment 725

www.mcInational.org www.momcl.org www.stcharlesmarine.com

## **ANNUAL DUES**

You can go to our web site, <a href="http://www.stcharlesmarine.org">http://www.stcharlesmarine.org</a> and pay with Pay Pal. You can also pay our Paymaster, Shelley Evenson, at our Detachment meetings. You can use cash, check or credit card at the meeting. If you pay with credit card there will be a small fee.

#### **GOOD OF THE LEAGUE**

**50/50 Drawing:** Jerry Bradley won. He donated his share to Toys for Tots

One Year Free Membership: Gene Vaucher's name was drawn, and he was present to win.

Periodically, we will be featuring articles about our members to help us all get to know each other better.

## SCUTTLEBUTT SPOTLIGHT #1



Curtus Seymour Interviewed 2-5-2025

After being out of the Corps for several years, Curt learned of the Marine Corps League from his older brother who is a retired Sergeant Major. An initial draw for him was the League's participation in the annual Toys for Tots campaign. But as life often does, an even more significant purpose became apparent to Curtis, funeral honors. After experiencing the funeral honors at the time of his father's passing (an Army vet who earned 2 Silver Stars and 1 Bronze Star, while landing on Omaha Beach) it became the major reason for him joining the Marine Corps League. He strongly feels that any Veteran that honorably served should have a proper military funeral. So it is with no surprise that Curt is active on our honor detail as well as other fundraiser events. With his years working in construction, he is a significant contributor on the Celebration of Lights team. He also helps out with other fundraising efforts. He is open to the opportunity, in the future, of possibly participating in a staff role for the detachment

When asked about the best part of our detachment, with a smile he says "camaraderie". Through the years he has traveled the country and likes that when you meet another Marine there is an instant connection. That is why he often wears USMC apparel to aid in these conversations.



Andy Riggle, our Toys for Tots Chair, presented a \$3000.00 check to GySgt Kappos, the St Louis Toys for Tots Coordinator.



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