

# Elk Grove Marine Corps League

# **Detachment 1238**

Elk's Lodge, 9240 Survey Road Elk Grove, CA

"Once a Marine...always a Marine"

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# HAPPY 4TH OF JULY MARINES



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# **Monthly Meeting Information**

Thursday, August 2, 2018 at Elk's Lodge, 9240 Survey Road, at 7:00p. Join us for pre-meeting supper at 6:00p





# **CHUCK ERLY**

April 22, 1943 -May 7, 2018





Chuck was born April 22, 1943 in Elko, NV and was the third of five children. At age of 17 he joined the Marine Corps where he completed 3 voluntary tours in Vietnam. During that time he earned his GED, became a linguist in Vietnamese; a skilled mechanic and a helicopter gunner. He also gained a sense of pride in his country and himself which he carried throughout the rest of his life.

After finishing his time in the Marine Corps he met the love of his life and he proposed just three weeks later. Just shy of four months after their chance meeting the two were married. This October 23rd the two would have celebrated their 42nd wedding anniversary. The two had three children together, Christopher and twins Sara and Kate. While raising their children Chuck tried to instill in them a sense of loyalty and compassion as well as an understanding that people should always strive to pass their good fortunes along to others in the hopes of making the world a better place. He also believed that life is an adventure that is best lived through real life experiences.

After retirement Chuck traveled with his wife, Nancy, for a decade seeing and experiencing all that they could and sharing those adventures with their children whenever possible. As the "Tin Can Travelers", as they affectionately called themselves, they lived out their lifelong dream of being full-timers, in their motorhome they took the opportunity to meet new friends, see new places, and experience every adventure life had to offer. After 10 years of travel, Chuck and Nancy decided to settle back down and moved to Elk Grove where he was an active member in the community volunteering with the local blood center, food bank and helping with community organizations such as the Mustard Seed School. He was also an active member in the Elk Grove Detachment 1238, Marine Corps League.



# **CHARLES DOUGLAS ERLY**

# FUNERAL SERVICE AND RECEPTION, MONDAY, JUNE 18, 2018







### **Robert Hale**

Senior Vice Commandant bobbylinboo@hotmail.com (916) 208-9881







The 86th Annual Department of California Convention, Marine Corps League held in Clovis, CA hosted by the Fresno and Modesto Detachments on June 14-16. The event was held at the Clovis Veterans Hall. An outstanding facility that truly shows proper respect and honors our fallen heroes.

Saturday starts off with the Commandants Council, which is a short meeting geared to helping Detachment Commandants better understand their roles and responsibilities. It's an open forum where many topics are covered and questions answered.

After the flag salute and pledge of allegiance the general session got underway. The Mayor of the City kicked things off with a very nice welcoming followed by a memorial service to honor those members that passed away over the preceding year.

It was announced that two new detachments were brought on board - San Bernardino and San Francisco. The League continues to grow.

The departments' PR person, Mario, gave an interesting presentation on a project to video activities and meetings carried on by individual detachments, and to use them to promote the ideals of the league and make them available to the media. Remember he visited our meeting a while back. Now...don't hold me to it, but he and his crew may show up at our Air Show booth.



There was a lot of discussion on a couple of by-law changes concerning the Region Coordinators, nothing that affects us.

To conclude the meeting, elections were held and conducted by Gene Rivers from National. The departments new Commandant is Ray Valenzuela with Matt Valenzuela as Sr. Vice and Jim Loorya as Jr. Vice and Rod MacKenzie as Judge Advocate.

The Saturday night banquet was a dress-up affair and a lot of fun with great speakers and good food.



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We look forward to many more in the future.





# **Tom Shine**

Junior Vice Commandant shine8758@frontiernet.net (916) 681-9534







### Greetings,

During our June 5<sup>th</sup> meeting we were pleased to have three guests and potential members attending. Each indicated their desire to join the Detachment. We were pleased to initiate two new members in the July meeting. I ask all members to make a special effort to welcome two new members Marines Ignacio Ayala and Mike Sheehan.

The Detachment's recent members, Marines Santiago Ventura and Howard Tucker, have been attending Detachment monthly meetings since April and have become valued and contributing members of Detachment 1238 and the League.

The Detachment membership is growing due to your recruiting efforts. With each new member the Detachment is enriched with new talent and energy. Keep at it and watch 1238 flourish.

There will be a recruiting/information booth setup during the Detachment's Annual Picnic in August. Look around for previous active duty, active duty or retired Marines, FMF Corpsmen and FMF Chaplains who would be worthy members of the Detachment and invite them and their families to join us as our guests at the picnic. We will also be placing an ad in the Elk Grove Citizen inviting potential new members to our picnic.

# The UPS Store



# Greg Higley

Store Owner/ Certified Trainer

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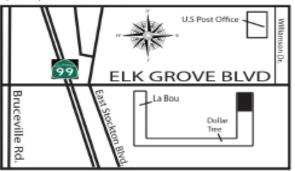
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# **Detachment Pistol Practice—John Lockett**

The Detachment's next pistol practice is on Thursday, August 2nd at 1700 hours, at the Gun Room range, across the road from the Elk's Lodge.

Do you want to keep familiar with your hand gun, practice for annual qualification, meet with other hand gunners or consider participating with our pistol team in preparation for future pistol matches?

Our Detachment's pistol practice sessions are open to every member of Detachment 1238 member.

Contact: John Lockett, xnavg8r@gmail.com





# **Geoff Prettyman**Paymaster geoffprettyman@gmail.com (916) 224-7781



Operations Account	\$ 5,025.22
Programs Account	\$ 11,589.65
Reserve Account	\$ 4,383.57



# MAY 28, 2018 - MEMORIAL DAY AT ELK GROVE COSUMNES CEMETERY



Our members and families attending ceremonies





# George Campbell Fundraising Chair dontmeannothin@att.net (916) 712-4505





# HELLO Devildawgs,

Just a few words to y'all. We're coming on the end of this year's raffle. Just wanted to reiterate what Miss Elena put out, please get your unsold tickets to her so we can have a chance to get them sold before August 11, 2018; that's our picnic day. I am hoping that y'all can make it for the comradery and the grub.

September 21, 2018 is the start of this year's California Capital Air Show and below is the schedule I have so far. If you are interested in coming out and playing with us just add your name to the schedule.

### Friday, September 21, 2018

**0830-1300** Load up at Tom's and move inventory to Mather for the night.

George Campbell, Mark Hite, Ken Mott

# Saturday, September 22, 2018

**0700-1130** Set up & sales

George Campbell, Bob Hale, Ken Mott

**1130-1500** Sales

Roger Neria, Geoffrey, Lee Scherman

1500-1830 Sales & secure for the night

Bob Chandler, Elena Gamboa, \_\_\_\_\_

## Sunday, September 23, 2018

**0700-1130** Set up & sales

Steve Matulich, Elena Gamboa, \_\_\_\_\_

### **1130-1530** Sales

Lee Scherman, John Lockett, Elena Gamboa

**1530-1930** Sales, load, and return inventory

TC, John Lockett, \_\_\_\_\_

Uniform is red shirt and piss cutter with black trousers. Again, I will have water on ice if y'all want something else you can bring it or buy it there.

As y'all can see we still have some empty slots and we have a few people pulling a couple slots. So, if any of ya could help us out, it's be sure be appreciated. Our next fundraiser will be down in November, the Dickens Faire. I will start asking for volunteers after July's meeting, so be aware!



# GROVE DETACHMENT 1230 ANNUAL PICNIC

# AND PISTOL RAFFLE DRAWING

**BRING YOUR FAMILY, CHAIRS, AND JOIN** 

THE ELK GROVE DETACHMENT FOR AN ENJOYABLE TIME

SATURDAY 11 AUG 2018 / 1100-1630

Food will be ready by 1200

HOT DOGS, HAMBURGERS, POTATO SALAD, BAKED BEANS, CHIPS, SODAS, WATER

LOCATION: ELK GROVE REGIONAL PARK

(WE ARE IN SPACE **3C OAK)** 

LOOK FOR THE MARINE CORPS FLAG AND DETACHMENT BANNER. SEE MAP (next page)

IN ORDER TO MAKE SURE WE HAVE ENOUGH FOOD

PLEASE RSVP, NO LATER THAN AUG 2, 2018

**DONALD VERBICK** 

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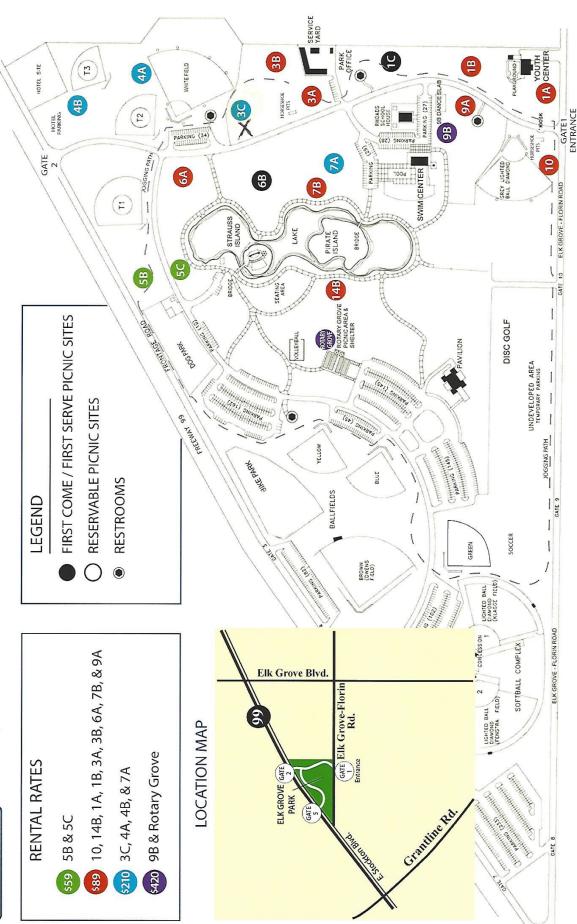
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# Elk Grove Regional Park

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### **VETERAN'S RESOURCES**

Veteran Crisis Line	1-800-273-8255
COUNSELING SERVICES, Vet Center: 1111 Howe Ave, Suite 390, Sacramer	nto <b>916-566-7430</b>
National Call Center for Homeless Veteran (NCCHC): for immediate support and linkage with local VA staff with intimate knowledge of area resources 24hours	s/day
VETS Connect (arrange healthcare access w/VA Northern CA Healthcare Syappointment)	,
Local Red Cross	916-993-7070
Local Red Cross	
	91-7325
Military services and affairs- 877-272-7337 Report a disaster- 855-89	<b>91-7325</b> 916-561-7580

### **Veteran Service Officers/Benefit Assistance**

To obtain benefit information such as: Service Connected Compensation, Non-Service Connected Pension, Aid & Attendance, and other benefit related questions contact agencies:

Veteran Organization Representatives – Mather Campus, Building 650, Mon - Frid 9:00-3:00 p. m.

**Sacramento Branch Veteran Service Center**: 10365 Old Placerville Road, Sacramento, CA. Walk-ins are Tuesdays and Thursdays **ONLY** 9:00 – 3:30 p. m.

**USMC MILITARY HONORS** for a Marine Veteran- 866-826-3628 (your family must present the most recent DD214 AND if you want Firing Detail you must request it when you call otherwise you will get folding/presentation of the flag and Taps)

Sacramento Valley National Cemetery...5810 Midway Road, Dixon, CA......1-707-693-2460



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