

Elk Grove Marine Corps League

Detachment 1238

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

"Once a Marine...always a Marine"

Editor: Mark Hite



Last Pet Photo Shoot of 2018, By Photographer Roger Neria. Pictured, right-Two new locations added to last year's fundraising.





Franklin Ranch
Pet Hospital
9 Dec. 2018
Semper Fi Fund
harity Pet and Family













Met with our Paymaster, Geoff gave him the remaining monies from the Pet Photo Shoots and he wrote me a check to the Semper Fi Fund for \$3,720.00. That's the best collection so far. Remember it will be matched by the Bob and Rene Parsons Foundation. The Semper Fi Fund received \$7,440.00 on our behalf. Thanks to everyone who volunteered and those who participated at the shoots. Special thanks to all the businesses that allowed us to use their facilities. Dreaming Dog Brewery, Animal Care Center, twice at Pets To Go East and Franklin Ranch Pet Hospital and Hotel. All of them have wonderful and accommodating staff and facilities. Everyone should go out of their way to support them in return.



Thank you Dr. Singh and staff for your continued support, by allowing us to hold one of our annual

Pet and Family Christmas photo shoots at the Animal Care Center



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Thanks to Dreaming Dog Brewery
for letting us hold our kick off
Pet and Family Christmas Photo Shoot
this year at your place of business.
Great owners, staff and customers.
We hope to have many more with you.

Monthly Meeting Information

Thursday, February 7, 2019 at Elk's Lodge, 9240 Survey Road, at 7:00pm. Join us for pre-meeting supper at 6:00pm.





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DONATIONS TO THE DETACHMENT ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE TO THE DONOR -

AND WE CAN PROVE IT!

Part of the "duties" of a member of this detachment is helping in fundraising. For sizeable donations to the detachment, the donor may want to be assured that he, she, they, it can claim the donation as a deduction against income. If someone were to ask, here's the facts.

- The Marine Corps League [hereinafter "MCL"] is a 501c(4) tax exempt organization. Donations made to a 501c(4) are generally not deductible.
- Detachments are subordinate units of the MCL and are guided and controlled by the rulings and laws applicable to its parent, the MCL.
- The MCL is a special type of 501c(4) organization. In the letter ruling made in July 1946, the Internal Revenue Service [hereinafter "IRS"] stated the MCL, though a 501c(4) organization, is treated as if it were a 501c(3) organization, and thus donations to the detachment are deductible to the donor. The letter from the IRS to the MCL stated in pertinent part:

Contributions made to you and your detachments, departments and auxiliary units are deductible by donor in arriving at the taxable net income...

Potential donors who wish to look up qualifications of our detachment to receive charitable contributions that are deductible to the donor can verify that fact online by examining the Exempt Organization Business Master File [EO BMF] available online from the IRS. Just "google" IRS EO BMF. The information about tax exempt organizations is contained on comma separated value format ["csv"]. Find the map of the United States and double click on California. A lengthy file of information in csv format populates. Scroll down until you find the EIN for our detachment [43-2081561]. You will need to understand the information provided in the columns. The IRS provides a tutorial at the beginning of the EO BMF at the very beginning of the lengthy file. A donor will want to know the information in columns "m" [DEDUCTIBILITY - - Deductibility Code] and "q" [STATUS - - Exempt Organization Status Code]. Our detachment is an unconditionally tax exempt organization and contributions made to it by donors are tax deductible to the donors.

Your ability to seek contributions is limited only by your ingenuity and ability to fix on a goal and pursue it to satisfactory completion.





Robert Hale

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







Here we go, off on a brand new year. I hope this year will be as good as last year, and I'm sure it will. Last year we saw an increase in membership and our fund raising efforts were out of this world thanks to the hard work and dedication of everyone. Many of our members received well earned special recognition for going above and beyond.

Aside from our continued support of the Semper Fi Fund and the Scholarship Program and all the other programs and events we get involved in this year, we will see the opening of the Elk Grove Veterans Hall. A long time in coming, but the last I heard it was on scheduled to open this summer. Something to look forward too.



The Marine Corps League is a great organization and ours is the greatest detachment. I'm looking forward to working and serving with all you Jar Heads, Devil Dogs and Misfits in the coming year. We'll join together to preserve the traditions of the United States Marine Corps and promote American freedom.

"Once a Marine, always a Marine." Semper Fi...



Thank you Pets To Go for your continuing support in our efforts to help our War Injured Marines, Navy Corpsmen and their families by allowing us to host our annual Pet Photo Shoots at your place of business.

Please visit either Pets To Go location. You will receive a 15% discount on purchases by showing your military or veterans ID



Thank you Franklin Ranch for your support by allowing us to host our annual Pet Photo Shoot at your place of business.

We look forward to many more in the future.





Tom Shine
Junior Vice Commandant
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I'm looking for a Leaguer to become the detachment's next Jr. Vice (it is not a difficult job). I'm experiencing some trouble remembering names, dates, and so-on. So, I'll not seek the Jr. Vice position again. I'll be most happy to train potential Jr. Vice candidates before the next detachment election. If you are interested and desire to help Detachment 1238 conduct business, contact me at shine8758@frontiernet.net or 916-681-9534. Detachment 1238 is healthy because of your ongoing efforts assisting recruitment and member retention.

Semper Fidelis,

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Greg Higley

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Election of Detachment

1238 officers

Every year the detachment elects 4 new officers. Those positions are Commandant, Senior Vice-Commandant, Junior Vice-Commandant and Judge Advocate. The qualification for office is simple: "Elected officers shall be Regular members of the Detachment in good standing at the time of nomination and election" (Art IV, Section 4 of the Bylaws). Make sure your dues are paid up and you're good to go. You do not have to hold an office or have "time in grade" in order to 'qualify' for your first or another office.

The duties and responsibilities of the elected officers are:

<u>Commandant:</u> Calls and presides over meetings; represents the detachment at official and unofficial functions; gives direction to fellow officers and appointees and signs detachment documents and reports.

<u>Senior-Vice Commandant:</u> Assists the Commandant and other detachment officers in the performance of their duties and performs additional duties as assigned by the Commandant.

<u>Junior-Vice Commandant:</u> Primarily responsible for developing programs to increase and maintain detachment membership. Maintains the accuracy of the membership rolls and works in close coordination with the Paymaster to facilitate membership.

<u>Judge Advocate:</u> Renders opinions and advice on questions concerning parliamentary procedures, State Department and National Bylaws, as well as the bylaws, rules and operating procedures of the detachment.

Additionally, these four officers and the past Commandant comprise the 'Board of Trustees' of the detachment.

THE ELECTION PROCESS

At the March meeting the Commandant will appoint a 4-member 'Nominations Committee' who will seek the input of all detachment members for their preferences for officers - including themselves. The Nominations Committee will announce its list of nominees at the April meeting. Additional nominations can be made from the floor at both the April and May meetings. In order for the nomination to be valid, the nominee must be <u>present</u> and must declare to all that if elected they will, in fact, serve.









Detachment Pistol Practice—John Lockett

The Detachment's next pistol practice is on Thursday, February 7th 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.

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Operations Account	. \$	4,885.03
Programs Account	. \$	13,618.90
Reserve Account	\$	3,384.14



VETERAN'S RESOURCES

Veteran Crisis Line	1-800-273-8255
COUNSELING SERVICES, Vet Center: 1111 Howe Ave, Suite 390, Sacran	mento916-566-7430
National Call Center for Homeless Veteran (NCCHC): for immediate supportant linkage with local VA staff with intimate knowledge of area resources 24ho	ours/day
VETS Connect (arrange healthcare access w/VA Northern CA Healthcare appointment)	•
Local Red Cross	916-993-7070
Local Red Cross. Military services and affairs- 877-272-7337 Report a disaster- 855	
	-891-7325
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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



Paula Maita and Company is a locally operated business at 9020 Elk Grove Blvd., in Old Town, Elk Grove. It is active in the community, often serving as a donor for youth programs and sponsoring local events. They pride themselves on service to youth and the community. They support Detachment 1238 and in return they have earned our support.

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