

# the CUTTING EDGE

news for and about the members of Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049 of the Marine Corps League  
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## Semper Fidelis!



Congratulations and welcome aboard our new Dept Staff 2017-2018. Evelyn Remines was elected our DEPARTMENT COMMANDANT. A little history was made since she is our first female Commandant.

Department Officers 2017-2018 Left to Right: Jerry Devlin Judge Advocate Marc Fisher District 4 Vice Commandant Tony Begenwald Chaplain Jerome Bujanowski Sgt-At-Arms Bill Kelly Junior Vice Commandant Evelyn Remines COMMANDANT Paul Gunther Photographer Donald Benson Senior Vice Commandant Paul Taylor Adjutant Richard Gore National Commandant 2015-2017 Jack Severn Chief of Staff Ed Dahling Paymaster Craig Reeling Junior Past Commandant Marian James Toys For Tots Chairman.

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### Detachment Staff:

**Commandant** ..... Ray Sturm  
**Senior Vice-Commandant** ..... Ben Wells  
**Junior Vice-Commandant** ..... Pat Sharkey  
**Judge Advocate** ..... Chris Wise  
**Junior Past-Commandant** ..... Ed Dahling  
**Adjutant** ..... Norman Huffman  
**By-Laws Committee Chairman** Danny Fischio  
**Chaplain** ..... Bill Collins  
**Color Guard Commander** ..... Woody Bowman  
**Historian** ..... Joseph Wright  
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**Web Sergeant** ..... Joe Wright  
**Toy For Tots Chairman** ..... Christ Stephens  
**Young Marines Commander** ... Dallas Cooper

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**National Award Winner**

## Membership Statistics

### Good Standing (Dues Paid)

Type	USMC	Associate	Multiple
Life Member-	78	8	6
Annual Member-	14	9	–
<b>New Members</b>			
			–
<b>Sub-Totals</b>			
	92	20	14
<b>Total</b>			
	126		



Please consider a **Life Membership** as a potential cost reduction. You are also asked to please advise the editor of any errors or omissions in the above listing as well as any changes to your contact information.

## Members' Birthdays

: Members of our detachment, who will be celebrating birthdays during the month of **May** include:

**Jerry Fay George Jahelka Joseph Lowman  
Edward Luthardt Charles Luthardt Jr. Ron Short  
Robert Tavik Sr. William Wild**

**NOTE** – If you were born in May and your name is not listed above, please contact the editor to be included in the future.

## Quotation

*“Why are there tens of thousands of people running around pretending to be Vietnam Veterans?”  
“I haven’t seen anybody pretend that they were at Woodstock!”  
“They can’t steal our valor!”*

**General Anthony ‘The Godfather’ Zinni**  
USMC Retired, former Commander-in-Chief Central Command, Special Envoy to Israel and the Palestinian Authority and father of a Marine



**PERRY POINT** — After more than a decade's worth of deliberating a future for dozens of empty houses at the Perry Point VA Medical Center, officials broke new ground on Saturday for a project designed to house veterans at risk of homelessness in the coming years.

Hogan and Hornberger were joined at the groundbreaking by a number of other officials, including Holt and Thomas Hameline, the president and CEO of HELP USA. Sabrina Clark, the director of voluntary service at the Department of Veterans Affairs, sang the national anthem while Adam Robinson Jr., the director of the VA Maryland Health Care System, gave special remarks.

The 75 new housing units will come in the form of both renovated homes and period recreations. Thirty-three buildings will be constructed into 66 one-bedroom apartments; eight buildings will be turned into eight two-bedroom apartments; and one building will be converted to a three-bedroom apartment.



## Coming Events

The following events are scheduled to occur through **July 2017**. Unless otherwise noted, these events will take place at **VFW Post 160**, located at 2597 Dorsey Road, Glen Burnie, MD 21060 (410-766-9802).

**NOTE** – The dates and times listed below are subject to change. Please verify the information with the indicated organizational point of contact

**Color Guard** May 5 2017 Arundel Mills Live 09:00, May 7 2017 Ferndale Parade – Meet at North County High School at 11 am May 21<sup>th</sup> – Glen Burnie Parade – Meet at Corkran Middle School at 1 pm May 29<sup>th</sup> - Present Colors at Post 276 at 9 am and following to Crownsville. Be there by 1030am for 11am Presentation of Colors.

**Detachment Friday Night Dinner** 5 May 1800-2000-VFW post 160

**Department Convention** - 11-13 May 2017, Princess Royale Hotel, Ocean City, MD

**Monthly Meetings, Detachment**  
Monday May 22, 2017 @ 1900 (Ray Sturm)

**2017 Marines Helping Hero's Golf Tournament**  
Friday, June 2 2017 Shot-Gun start at 0900 (Chris Stevens) Waldon Country Club Corfton Md, Monthly Meetings, MCL Detachment 1049

**Monthly Meetings, MCL Detachment 1049 & Auxiliary** Monday June 26, 2017 @ 1900 (Ray Sturm)

**MIDEAST DIVISION CONFERENCE**  
Raleigh, North Carolina June 23 – 25, 2017

**Friday Night Dinner, Detachment 1049** July 7 2017 from 1800 – 2000 (Ray Sturm)



# Commandant Ray Sturm

Greetings all,

First, I'd like to say I'm tremendously honored to have been elected and installed to my third term as Commandant. The confidence you put in me and the detachment staff is truly humbling. I'll do my best to continue the great things you do.

As you read this, Memorial Day is just around the corner. To most Americans this signals the beginning of Summer. They break out their grills, go to a ball game, and head to the beach. Maybe they will go to a parade or watch a wreath laying ceremony. To you all reading this, Memorial Day is something different. We know the sacrifices made by our brother warriors so that others may barbeque or see that ball game. We don't celebrate Memorial Day, but we will pause to remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice.. and in the process we will enjoy our barbeque in the knowledge that they are watching over us.

The Department Convention is over. Unfortunately, I was unable to attend this year. I will await the minutes of the meetings and relay that information to you.

Our 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Marines Helping Heroes Golf Tournament is June 2<sup>nd</sup>. That date is rapidly approaching. We need volunteers to make the event a success. We will have several VIPs attending this year. Secretary George Owings, MDVA will give opening remarks and County Executive Steve Schuh will be at the awards ceremony. There will also be representatives from the Semper Fi Fund and Treat NOW at the event. I'd love to see a big turnout of Marines to support this great cause.

On June 3<sup>rd</sup>, we will participate in the Down's Park Family Day in Pasadena. This is a great event. If you live in the area, come by the Detachment's tent and support your fellow Leaguers. Bring your neighbors and tell your friends about this terrific community event. The Marine Visitation Program is plugging along. If you'd like to volunteer an hour or so of your time per month to visit with Marines in area nursing homes, please let me know. The stories these Old Corps vets tell are amazing.



## Pistol Team Ray Sturm

The Dept of PA pistol match is Saturday, June 10<sup>th</sup>. We always have room for more shooters. Please reach out to me if you are interested in going. Please see <http://pamcleague.org/DeptPrograms/Marksmanship/tabid/827/Default.aspx> for complete details.



# Corps History

by Ed Dahling for Joe Wright, Historian



## 2 May 1946

Marines from Treasure Island Marine Barracks, under the command of **Warrant Officer Charles L. Buckner**, helped suppress three-day prison riot at Alcatraz Penitentiary in San Francisco Bay,

## 3 May 1898

Marines from the U.S.S. Baltimore raise the Stars and Stripes over the Cavite Naval Station.

## 5 May 1961

Marine pilots retrieved America's first astronaut, **Navy Commander Alan Shepard**.

## 6 May 1937

Marines at NAS Lakehurst, NJ helped rescue Hindenburg survivors.

## 8 May 1995

In the wake of the most devastating storm to hit the New Orleans area in more than 200 years, a group of Marines and sailors from Marine Forces Reserve assisted in the evacuation of 2,500 civilians and medical treatment of flood victims

## 15 May 1862

**Corporal John Mackie**, the first Marine to earn the Medal of Honor, was commended for service on the USS GALENA during action against Confederate shore batteries at Drewry's Bluff, which blocked the James River approaches to Richmond.

## 16 May 1945

The 22nd and 29th Marines continued the attack against Half Moon Hill, a day characterized by the 6th Marine Division as the 'bitterest' of the Okinawa campaign. By the 18th, the famed 'Shuri line' had been breached.

## .23 May 1988

The V-22 Osprey, the world's first production tilt-rotor aircraft, unveiled at Bell Helicopter facilities in Arlington, TX.



## Senior Vice Commandant Ben Wells



Hello Marines,

First off, let me say thank you for the trust you put in me to elect me a second time as your Senior Vice Commandant. I'm looking forward to the next year and working with **Ray Sturm** again to make our detachment the best in the league.

Second I'd like to congratulate **Ray Sturm** on being selected as our Detachment's **Marine of the Year**, which I believe is well deserved and past due.

One of my tasks as Senior Vice is to come up with ideas for fund-raising, so if anyone has an idea please let me know.

Finally, don't forget to circle **Sept. 30, 2017** on your calendars as it is the date of our annual **Bull & Oyster Roast** the major fund-raiser benefiting our detachment each year. More information about this event will be provided at future meetings.

Semper Fi,  
Ben



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## Beware of Imposter Veterans Choice Phone Line

An unknown party has set up a phone line that may be intended to deceptively reach veterans trying to contact the [Veterans Choice Program \(VCP\)](#), according to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. Veterans attempting to reach the VA program that allows them to receive health care in their own communities, may be mistakenly calling a "mimic" phone line, which is an 800 number, rather than the correct toll free line, which features an 866 area code. For information about the Veterans Choice Program, visit the official Veterans Choice Program [website](#)



## Military Order of the Devil Dogs



### Military Order of the Devil Dogs (MODD)

The Fun and Honor Society of the Marine Corps League

Woof woof,

The Maryland Pack just held a very successful Grand Growl in Ocean City. If you weren't there, you missed another good one. We had the pleasure of Chief Devil Dog C. O. Smith in attendance as well as the Marine Corps League National Commandant, PDD Richard Gore. Both were very impressed with the way our Grand Growl was conducted. Besides all the fun we had, we raised another \$329.00 for the kids.

Prior to the Grand Growl, we had five Pups go through the grueling process of becoming true DDs. They had the honor of being sworn in by the Chief Devil Dog.

During the Grand Growl, nominations, elections and installation of the 2018 officers were held. The old/new officers are: Pack Leader, PDD Kelly; Senior vice, PDD Blair; Junior vice, PDD Reeling; Smart Dog, PDD Remines; Dog Trainer, PDD Hadley; Mad Dog, PDD Bowman; Police Dog; PDD Gunther; Watch Dog, PDD Fay, Joe; Barking Dog, PDD Hoernig. Worthy Pack Leader made the following appointments: Dog Robber, PDD Taylor; Mascot Handler, Pup Stillwell.

Again, the officers had the pleasure of being sworn in by the Chief Devil Dog.

The next Pound Growl will be on 27 August when we will have elections of officers. If you are interested in a particular office, be there and get nominated and join in on the fun.

Remember: It is an honor to be a Devil Dog!

Woof woof,  
PDD Paul Taylor  
Dog Robber

## Mideast Division



MIDEAST DIVISION CONFERENCE  
June 23 – 25, 2017

Hosted by the Department of North Carolina & the Tar Heel Detachment #733

At the Doubletree by Hilton Raleigh-Durham Airport Raleigh, North Carolina



The Doubletree by Hilton  
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## Junior Vice Commandant Pat Sharkey

### Marines

I'd like to thank you for your confidence in me. As you're newly elected Junior Vice Commandant, it is my intention to dedicate my term of office to you – the membership.

One of the most important responsibilities of the Junior Vice Commandant is to grow the membership of the detachment. I plan on making that my **number one goal** and I am open to any suggestions that my fellow members feel would help meet that goal.

Pat Sharkey



Congratulations to our Detachment Marine of the year, Commandant Ray Sturm.



## Chaplain's Corner

Bill Collins

Fellow Marines,

Another event filled month. Members of the Detachment attended the Court of Honor held for eagle scout Hunter Gardner. Hunter is also VFW POST 160's scout of the year. Congratulations and best wishes to Hunter. The convention in O.C. was a most enjoyable event for all who were able to attend. The proceedings included the elevation of several Devil Pups, including yours truly, to the rank of full fledged Devil Dog. Woof Woof.

We also extend our congratulations to Ed Dahling Hound Dog Pound 204 Dog of The Year Well done. Bill Collin

Semper Fi



## Color Guard

Color Guard Commander Woody Bowman



### – COMING EVENTS –

**Ferndale Day Parade – Sunday, May 7th**  
Stage at **North County High School** by **11:00 AM**  
Parade starts at **NOON**.

**Glen Burnie Memorial Day Parade – Sunday, May 21st**  
Stage at **Corkran Middl School Quarterfield Road** by **1:00 PM** Parade starts at **2:00 PM** .

**Memorial Day Posting of Colors – Monday, May 29th**  
Stage at **American Legion Post 276** on **Quarterfield Road** by **8:30 AM** Ceremony starts at **9:00 AM** .

**Memorial Day Ceremony – Monday, May 27th**  
Stage at **Crownsville Veterans Cemetery** by **10:30 AM** Ceremony starts at **11:00 AM** .



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that we are free.



# 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Marine Corps League Charity Golf Tournament



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## Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049

Friday, June 2, 2017 at 9:00 AM



Walden Country Club  
Crofton, MD

Your tax deductible **\$125** contribution includes:

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Breakfast



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& Cart



Hot dogs on  
the 10<sup>th</sup>



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Marine Barracks Washington D.C. - Major Christopher Hall, commanding officer, U.S. Marine Drum & Bugle Corps, salutes the parade commander during a Friday Evening Parade at Marine Barracks Washington D.C., May 5, 2017.