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news for and about the members of Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049 of the Marine Corps League
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The 11th Annual MHM Golf Tournament

AMAZING DAY FOR GOLF!



The 11th Annual MHM Golf Tournament sponsored by Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049 was conducted on May 20, 2016. What an amazing day for golf! On behalf of our members, I'd like to thank the participants, sponsors, and volunteers who made the event such a success. Please enjoy the attached photos. We look forward to seeing you next year. - Ray Sturm, Commandant

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Membership Statistics

Good Standing (Dues Paid)

Type	USMC	Associate	Multiple
Life Member-	77	8	5
Annual Member-	16	6	—
Delinquent Dues (Still on Active Roster 17)			
New Members			
		1	—
Sub-Totals			
93	15	5	
Total			
113			

Renewals

[Dues expire at end of indicated month]

June 2016	July 2016	Aug. 2016
Lawrence Shifett-	Tim Muniz Thomas Yusaitis Joshua Copfer Frank Mondragon	Arbic George Reistrup Frank Schramm Chris Benson Donald Hancock Tom Ullery Scott
Past Due	Are all in	Red

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 **June** include:

Robert Di Lauro Troy Bryant Garland Downey Sr.
Francis Miller Rudolph Snyder Joseph Stephens
Raymond Sturm

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



From the Editor

by Ed Dahling Editor Emeritus

I am planning to start back our annual **Bull and Oyster Roast**, which is scheduled to take place on **October 8th, 2016**. Please make plans to attend. This is our largest fund-raiser and all of the proceeds go to our detachment.

The price is currently pending; but, I am sure that I will have the price as well as additional information about the roast at our June detachment meeting

We can not depend just on our Friday night dinners every other month and 50/50 from our monthly meetings

The **Marines Helping Marines Golf Tournament** was an outstanding success. I am proud of everyone involved for making the tournament such a huge success.

The deadline for all **July** newsletter articles is **NOON** on **Tuesday, July 12, 2016**. ***Please do not wait until the last minute!***



Quotation

"Patriotism:

Supporting your Country ALL THE TIME; and, your government when it deserves it.

Samuel Langhorne Clemens

American author and humorist generally known by his pen name **Mark Twain**



Coming Events

The following events are scheduled to occur through **October 8, 2016**. 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

Monthly Meetings, MCL Detachment 1049

Monday, June 27, 2016 @ 1900 (Ray Sturm)

2016 Mideast Division Convention

Friday, June 24 through Sunday, June 26, 2016
Hilton Wilmington/Christiana 100 Continental Dr.
Newark, DE 19713 ,800-348-3133 or 302-454-1500

Friday Night Dinner, MCL Detachment 1049

Friday, July 1, 2016 from 1800 – 2000 (Ed Dahling)

Monthly Meetings, MCL Detachment 1049

Monday, July 25, 2016 @ 1900 (Ray Sturm)

MODD Growl, Pound 204

Sunday, August 28, 2016 from 0800 -1100 (Charles Luthardt)

Monthly Meetings, MCL Detachment 1049

Monday, August 27, 2016 @ 1900 (Ray Sturm)

Friday Night Dinner, MCL Detachment 1049

Friday, September 2, 2016 from 1800 – 2000 (TBA)

Staff Meeting, MCL Department of Maryland

Saturday, September TBA, 2016 from 0900 to 1100 (Craig Reeling)

MODD Growl, Maryland Pack

Saturday, September TBA, 2016 following the Staff Meeting

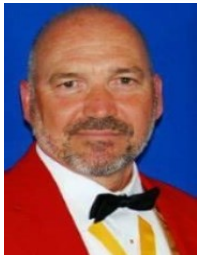
Monthly Meetings, MCL Detachment 1049

Monday, September 26, 2016 @ 1900 (Ray Sturm)

Bull & Oyster Roast, MCL Detachment 1049

Saturday, October 8, 2016 @ 1300 - 1800

Commandant Ray Sturm



Greetings,

Welcome to June everyone. I trust you have dried out from our soggy May. I'd like to start by offering my congratulations to **Chris Stevens** and her team who made our 11th Annual MHM Golf Tournament a success. While the final numbers are not quite in, I think we will be close to last year's total of \$15,000.

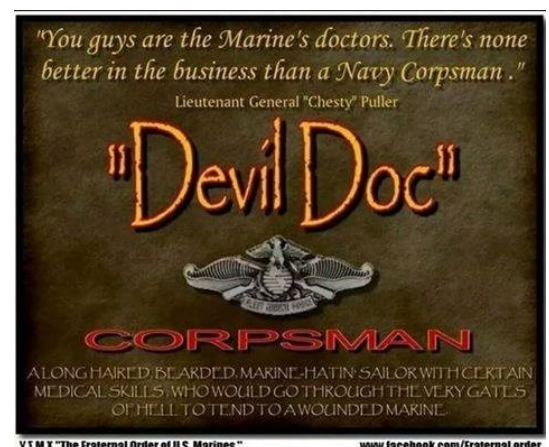
I would also like to thank our **Color Guard** for representing the detachment at the Memorial Day functions throughout the area. Their dedication and commitment is truly appreciated. If you would like to join this great unit, please see Woody Bowman. He'd be glad to talk to you.

I forgot to mention in my last article, that at the Department Convention, the newsletter you are reading was awarded **First Place** in the newsletter competition. I congratulate **Ed Dahling** for all of his efforts to bring you this fantastic newsletter. I urge Ed to submit the newsletter to the national competition.

ATTENTION: The detachment was approached by the Marines at Fort Meade. They asked if we could assist them in a fund raising event to help defray the cost of the Marine Corps Ball to their junior Marines. Naturally, we jumped at the chance to help. The event is tentatively called the **Marine Corps League 5K Challenge** on July 31st at BWI Airport. (A 5k is the equivalent of 3 miles.) Planning is under-way, but details are still being worked out. Captain Pete Smith, USMCR will be at our June meeting to explain the event. We are asking for your help in getting the word out to any runners, running clubs, and potential sponsors. Oh, and this will be a joint fund raiser. Any monies collected beyond what is needed by the Marines will remain with the detachment.

The Washington Nationals are hosting a **US Marine Corps Day** at Nationals Stadium on July 20th. The Nats are playing the LA Dodgers at 7:05. If you are interested in attending, please let me know. We can certainly *Rock the Red* that night.

Ray





Corps History

by Ed Dahling for Joe Wright, Historian



Senior Vice Commandant Ben Wells

Fellow Detachment Members,

As in the past, our detachment had a very good showing and more important we had a very good time. I highly recommend for every member who has not attended a Department Convention, to consider to attend one.

I would like to thank everyone who helped with the Marines Helping Marines golf tournament. The money collected will be presented at Tulsa Ok. at this year convention in Aug

We have one fund raiser left for the year and this money goes to our general fund so please help support this function. October 8th is the bull & oyster roast and this money goes to the general fund also, so please support this event with ticket sales. We would also like to see you smiling faces along with your spouse and children.

Ben



1 June 1918

"Retreat Hell! We just got here," said the 5th Marine Regiment in France.

5 June 1944

Lieutenant General H. M. (Howlin' Mad) Smith is designated the first FMF Pac Commander.

6 June 1918

Marines advance into Belleau Wood against German machine guns.

8 June 1995

Team of 40 Marines rescues downed USAF pi-lot, Captain Scott O'Grady, who had been shot down over Bosnia-Herzegovina six days earlier.

12 June 1961

President John F. Kennedy signs a presidential proclamation calling for the American flag to be flown at the Marine Corps War Memorial in Arlington, Virginia, "at all times... day and night."

18 June 1945

Major General Roy S. Geiger, USMC, assumes command of the 10th Army during the battle for Okinawa after Army Lieutenant General Simon Buckner's killed.

21 June 1945

The battle for Okinawa ends with the raising of the American flag by Lieutenant General Roy S. Geiger, USMC.

22 June 1954

President Eisenhower authorizes the use of the first official Marine Corps Seal.

25 June 1950

Korean War begins when North Korean forces invade South Korea.

25 June 1971

Last Marine ground troops depart Vietnam.



On June 8, 2016, Sr Vice Commandant Ben Wells and Commandant Ray Sturm presented Boy Scout Troop 216 with a new trailer. Ben Wells acquired the trailer and had it customized for the Troop. Well done Ben. The Troop will get many years of use from your generous donation.



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Color Guard

by Ed Dahling for Color Guard Commander Woody Bowman

Color Guard would be presenting Colors on Memorial Day at Post 276 at 9am, but would then be going to Crownsville Veterans Cemetery

The Color Guard would also be participating in the Installation at Post 276 as well on June 5th.

July 4th, the Color Guard will be participating in the Severna Park parade.

July 4th presenting Colors Bowie Baysox's Ball game with Fire works after the game.

Woody



Rifle & Pistol

Ray Sturm

The Department of Pennsylvania held its annual pistol match at Fort Indiantown Gap. Due to a lack of detachment shooters this year, we formed a Pound 204 team. The team consisted of Ray Sturm, Ben Wells, Don Benson, Evie Remines, and Tim Shepard. (The last three were first time shooters.) We may not win any awards, but we had a blast at the match.

For those interested, the Dept of PA Rifle Match is weekend of Sept 9-11 at Reade Range near Altoona, PA.



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 Devil Dogs of Pound 204 and the Maryland Pack are enjoying the Dog days of summer by lying low for a month or so. Since our Grand Growl in April, there hasn't been much Dog business to conduct. Things will pick up on a grand scale in August when the Supreme Growl will be held.

Our next Pound Growl will be on 28 August when we will hold nominations, election and installation of new officers. If interested in leading your Pound you must be present at the Growl as there is no proxy vote. However, a letter or email to your Dog Robber stating you will accept a position, if nominated, will allow you to be nominated.

The dues of all annual dues-paying Dogs expire on 31 August. They remain a paltry \$15.00. You can forward them to your friendly Pound Dog Robber (me) at any time.

The next Pack Growl will be sometime in September hosted by the Free State Detachment in Bowie. Members who have not paid their 2017 dues by then will not be allowed to attend this Growl.

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

Woof woof,
PDD Paul Taylor
Dog Robber



Junior Vice Commandant

Marines

With your help, we can reach out to any Marines that for some reason have not heard about the Marine Corps League and our Detachment. If you know of a Marine of good standing, invite them to visit us during our next meeting. This will give them a chance to see what the league and our detachment is all about.

In addition to bringing in new members, let's not forget about keeping current with own dues. Please send in your dues and not risk being dropped from our rolls as a member of good standing. I look forward to seeing each of you at our next meeting.

Semper, Fi

Pat Sharkey

Chaplain's Corner

from Bill Collins Detachment Chaplain

Fellow Marines,

Another Marine reporting sir I've served my country well.....tragically, Blue Angles pilot Marine Capt. Jeff Kuss lost his life when his F/A-18 Hornet crashed shortly after takeoff at the Smyrna/ Rutherford county airport in Tennessee. Capt. Kuss was practicing for the Blue Angles performance at the Great Tennessee Air Show. We also lost nine Fort Hood soldiers during a training exercise when their 2 ½ ton truck was washed away by flood waters. These incidents remind us that the men & women who serve our country often put themselves in harm's way when they are training for combat as well as when they are in combat. Our thoughts and prayers are with them every day.

As we all know, Det.1049 received the Detachment of the year award for the Marine Corps League, Department of Maryland. Thanks to all of the members who give their time so generously to make our Detachment the best in the state. Bravo Zulu (BZ) to Commandant Ray Sturm and his staff.

The golf tournament was a great success as well as a fun day for everyone. Events like this are not possible without the help of our members. Volunteering provides an opportunity to get to know fellow members of the Detachment. It's fun and productive...Who could ask for more? If you are interested in volunteering for any of our activities call me @ 410-271-4847 or E-mail dvader1@comcast.net

Our brother Charlie Luthardt suffered a "mild stroke" on Sunday June 5th. As of Friday, June 10th he was recovering in the hospital in Ocean City. The prognosis is good; Charlie is expected to fully recover. Keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

Semper Fi,
Bill C



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Have You Heard?

by Ed Dahling Editor Emeritus

Meeting called to order by Commandant Ray Sturm at 1900 hours.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by prayer by Chaplain Bill Collins.

Members in Attendance, 17

Commandant Ray Sturm acknowledged the presence of the following Special Guests.

Paul Taylor	Department Adjutant
Edward Dahling	Department Paymaster/Jr. Past Detachment Commandant
Guy Hall	Mid-East Ambassador, Past Detachment Commandant
Jim Brady	Mid-East Fund Raising Chairman
Woody Bowman	Color Guard Commander

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: One applicant was received. Information later.

READING OF THE MINUTES: Adjutant Norm Huffman reported minutes of the March meeting were distributed via the detachment list server (e-mail). Several hardcopies were available at the meeting.

MEMBERS SICK AND IN DISTRESS: Fred Kaminski is still not feeling up to attend meeting

COMMANDANT: Ray Sturm commented on the Golf Tournament. He wants to thank all of the volunteers for all the help and time they put into the tournament, and also to the ladies.

NEWSPAPER EDITOR: Ed Dahling reported that at the Maryland Department Convention there was a contest state wide on detachments newsletter. Detachment 1049 won 1st place. Thanks to Ed Dahling for all his work.

COLOR GUARD COMMANDER: Woody Bowman stated the Color Guard would be presenting Colors on Memorial Day at Post 276 at 9am, but would then be going to Crownsville Veterans Cemetery afterwards. The Color Guard would also be participating in the Installation at Post 276 as well on June 5th. On July 4th, the Color Guard will be participating in the Severna Park parade. Woody will check on the Bowie Baysox event, as there has been no confirmation on this as of this time.

NEW BUSINESS: Jim Brady asked about MCL office being cluttered and maybe purchasing a shed to store things in. Jim also stated that sodas and coffee should not be stored in that office due to the weather. Ray informed Jim that the league went in and cleaned the office and got rid of things and everything is in place, and as of this time there is no need of a shed.

GOOD TO THE LEAGUE: Ray Sturm commented that Past Commandant Mac McNeir had started a Commandant's Award during his term. The criteria included anyone who the current Commandant felt assisted the detachment as well as the Commandant, but did not qualify as Marine of the Year. Ray stated the awardee of the Commandant's Award for 2015-2016 is Fred Kaminski. Congratulations Fred!

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Have You Heard?

by Ed Dahling Editor Emeritus

Commandant Sturm reported on Convention news: Detachment 1049 received Perfect attendance, receiving a streamer to be placed on the flag. It was attached to the flag by Jim Galvin and Ben Wells.

Detachment 1049 was awarded the Detachment of Year at the Department banquet.

Detachment 1049 was also awarded the Meritorious Unit Commendation Award for the year. Anyone who was a member of the Detachment during this timeframe is able to wear the Meritorious Service ribbon.

Jim Brady reported Pound 204 has collected more bones than any other Pound in the nation. (Pack has given 2,200 bones to date).

Woody Bowman stated he heard good comments about the grounds of the Walden Country Club. Ray Sturm reported he has asked the Walden Country Club to hold May 19, 2017 open for the golf tournament next year as they were very good to the Marine Corps League. Price was good compared to prior courses and also allowed us to bring in our own food and drink.

Jim Galvin reported his Special Needs Scout Troop 216 went to Broadcreek, a Baltimore religious retreat. He thanks the Detachment for their donation which helped to make this possible.

Norm Huffman reported the detachment will be holding a recruitment drive at the Downs Park Community Family Day on June 4th.

Woody Bowman reported on a Capital newspaper article on the USMC Toys for Tots coordinator Pete Smith. Pete spent the night on the streets with the homeless. Ray will get this article loaded to the website.

Commandant Sturm reported he and Ben Wells will be going up a day early to assist the Department of Pennsylvania in preparation of the shoot. Ray also stated Don Benson and Evie Remines will also attend all would be registered as Pound 204 team. Anyone is welcome to shoot.

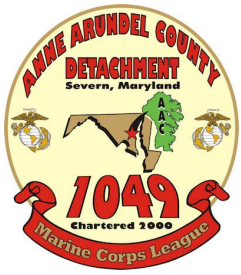
ADJUTANT Norman Hoffman NEED THE NAMES OF ANYONE GOING TO THE NATIONAL CONVENTION IN TULSA OKLAHOMA AUGUST 7 – AUGUST 13, 2016

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

May 25, 2016 -	Troop 216 Boy Scout meeting
June 4, 2016 -	Downs Park Recruiting event – 9am at Downs Park, Pasadena MD
June 4, 2016-	Department of PA Pistol Match
June 8, 2016-	BSA Troop 216 meeting 7:00pm
June 24,25 2016 -	Mid-East Div Conf 9:00am Newark DE
June 27, 2016 -	Detachment Meeting VFW Post 160
Aug 8, 2016 --	MCL National Convention Tulsa Ok.

CLOSING CEREMONIES:

Commandant closed the meeting IAW MCL rituals. The next Detachment meeting will take place on June 27th, 2016. Prayer was given by Bill Collins. Winner of 50/50 was Jim Brady.



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