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COMMANDANT
Manny Airey

SEMPER FI---MARINES

By the time you read this, it will be spring, sunny weather, green grass on the lawn and birds chirping in the trees.

I want to remind you again that the April meeting is election night. We will have our officers in place and installed prior to the May Dept. Convention in Ocean City 8/9/10 May I would like to see a great representation from our Detachment. These meetings are only as fruitful as you make it and that is by attending, even if it is only for

one day. I would like to urge you to purchase a personal booster ad or a business size card if you own a business to be placed in the convention bulletin. Please call me ASAP or let me know at our March meeting, 23 March. Our detachment gets a monetary commission from each ad we submit. 410-255-9129 I want to thank Past Commandant Earl Parker for volunteering to take over the appointed office of Adjutant. Guy Hall has asked to be replaced due to other commitments he is involved within the detachment.

Jack Severn, Dept. Jr. Vice Commandant will be at our meeting discussing the proper way to wear our uniforms and what occasions we should wear each one.



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Did you know that up to 150 tons of meteorite fragments slam into the Earth every year. As far as is known only seven people have been struck by such rocks from space. Do you know of anyone who you think has been a victim??

The parachute was invented over a century before airplanes were. The First successful jump was made in 1785.

Since this is an election year, here is a few items worth pondering:

Sports anyone??

Basketball is the only major sport entirely of American origin. It was Invented Dec., 1891 by James Naismith, A Canadian living in Springfield, Mass.

Football became so ferocious during the 1905 season, 19 players died in college and high school contests.

Track star Jesse Ownes beat a race horse over a 100-yard course in 1936.

The first formal rules for playing baseball required the winning team to score 21 runs.

Jimmy Carter is the first president to have been born in a hospital. All the rest were born at home.

Only one president has held a Ph.D. degree, Woodrow Wilson.

Nine of the first 39 presidents did not attend college, Truman, Cleveland, Andrew Johnson, Lincoln, Fillmore, Taylor, Van Buren, Jackson and Washington.

President James Madison weighed only 100 pounds at 5'4" tall.

Franklin D. Roosevelt was related to eleven presidents, six by marriage and five by blood.

James Buchanan has been the only bachelor to serve as President of the U.S.

No president of the U.S. was an only child

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I want to thank everyone who attended on such a short notice the MCL Services of Colonel Bill Georgeson USMC, (Ret) at the Kallas Funeral Home, Edgewater. Also all of you who attended the services for Marine Dr, and Colonel Victor Linnenbom, USMC (Ret) which was held at the Beale Funeral Home in P.G. Co. The family was very appreciative of our presence and concern. If you haven't already done so, please send a "Thinking of You" card to

Karen Cline, wife of L/M Skip Cline @
235 St. James Dr., Glen Burnie, MD
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Please, if you know someone who is ill, hospitalized or just needs some good will sent their way, notify me @ my new # 410-923-7979. Without your help I cannot do my job as chaplain.

Captain
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Welcome aboard, Marine Keith Oliver of Arnold, MD.

Congratulations to Marines Fred Kaminski and Woody Bowman as they are our newest life members. THERE ARE SEVERAL MEMBERS WHO ARE IN ARREARS WITH THEIR MEMBERSHIP DUES. PLEASE, DO NOT LET YOUR MEMBERSHIP ELAPSE. WE NEED YOUR MEMBERSHIP AND CONTINUED SUPPORT OF THE DETACHMENT.

I am sorry to say that Marine Russell Lindquist, Sr. has transferred to a detachment nearer his present home in California. Russ, we appreciate the support you have given us in the past and wish you all the best that we can give.

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Congratulations to the detachment pistol team who participated in the recent National Postal Matches. They received top honors and awards in their respective divisions with individual and team awards which were presented by our Dept. Commandant, Ron Short at our March meeting. The plaques are proudly displayed on our wall in the post lounge.

VFW Post #160 will be hosting a Bull and Shrimp Feast, SUNDAY, 21 MAR. You are encouraged to attend. Call the post 410-766-9802 for tickets and reservations. I assure you that a great time will be had by all.

The post hall is available for parties, wedding receptions, wakes and etc. at a special price for MCL members. Catering is also available at a very reasonable price. The next time you are planning a party check it out.

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Our Young Marines will participate in a color guard competition Saturday 27 Mar. More info, time and place will be announced by CO George Martin at our meeting Monday.

The Dept Quarterly staff meeting will be hosted by the Howard Co. Det., SAT 20 March. Please make an effort to attend. We will meet Sat morning at the VFW at 0800 and car pool to Ellicott City.

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Do you think our politicians are really behind us in our quest to take care of the veterans who need quality care??? It seems that all we get from the government is lip service.

All of us knows someone who needs to be receiving medical attention for combat related problems now, not 6 months or longer down the road, especially WW II veterans.

At the 11th National Convention of the VVA, their president, Tom Corey asked some very important questions. In this Election year we have the opportunity to change the culture of our nation. We will continue to fight for recognition, respect and a fair treatment for our fellow veterans and for those serving in the armed forces today.

1. How long must we continue to beg congress and the administration to fund the Dept of VA health care adequately?
2. How long has it been since we have asked our government to recognize the full impact of Agent Orange and other chemicals on the health of our veterans and their families?
3. How long have veterans throughout time had to plead for the services, benefits and compensation they earned through their service?

We cannot allow the public's attention to be diverted from the harm and consequences of the war. Mental health services and interventions created after the Vietnam War must be made available. We must ensure that each generation of veterans and their families are aware of the consequences of trauma and receive immediate treatment for PTSD. It is our obligation to the thousands of men and women we lost in the past wars

To make certain when this newest generation of vets re-enter their communities they have the support and encouragement of their fellow veterans (End of quote)

We, as Marines must promote and support our new endeavor of "MARINE FOR LIFE" program. Information for this can be found on our website.

As you know this is an election year. I would hope that we will get out and vote and vote responsibly.

Starting the third Wednesday of Sept. the Maryland Veterans Commission will be again meeting at the VFW #160 Post. I encourage you to attend these meetings. The Marine Corps League has been a vital part of this organization. Our representative (#1049) is Marine Guy Hall. The annual Glen Burnie Parade will be held SUNDAY, 23 MAY. Since this will be dedicated to the memory of WW II veterans you are encouraged to participate. It would be great if we were the largest entry taking part in this. As you know the following weekend will be the celebration of the WW II Memorial dedication in Wash., D.C.



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