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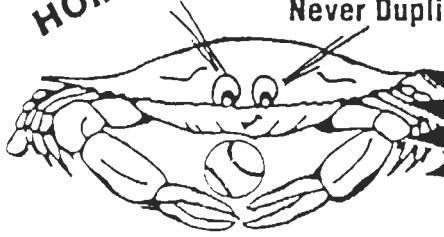
On behalf of the officers of our beloved detachment, we wish all the members and their families a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A SAFE AND JOYOUS NEW YEAR. Looking back at the past few short years we have been a detachment we have been very fortunate to have had the success and good times of a very solid group of Marines. Of this I am assured that we can be very thankful and proud to have received the support and help from you.

I look forward to seeing all of you and your family at our annual Christmas Party this coming Monday evening at 1830 at the VFW Post. Please bring a covered dish. Coffee, tea, soda, draft beer, wine and standard mixed drinks be furnished. Top Shelf and exotic drinks will be available at happy hour prices. We will have a very short meeting and plaques and certificates will be presented to those who have distinguished themselves during the year will be presented.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS ALL YOU MARINES AND FAMILIES. There has been a horrific amount of you out there who have been inundated with a severe cold and possibly this new "FLU" strain that has been hitting the country so hard. As of today the news media has reported 20 young children have died from it. I know of other potent diseases are out there among us and Jean and I pray also for your safety every night. I try my best to keep up with the phone calls, visits and cards but if I don't hear from your spouses or anyone I can't do anything so please call me at 410-987-0386 if I or the Detachment can be of any help.

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As we are "veterans advocates" we must continue to support our men and women in veterans hospitals, those recuperating at home or the WWI, the few that are left, WWII vets, Korean Vets and the rest of those who have born the burden of the day. Over 100,000 veterans are Waiting 6 months or more to see a doctor. Criminals get better and quicker service than this. All veterans should be entitled to health care benefits. Those needing immediate care should not be subjected to a 6 month or more wait. We must stand fast to secure those benefits, short/long term care and prescription benefits for the needy veteran. We must Also see to it that when they work to reduce the backlog on VA claims that they do not sacrifice the quality of care. We must write our legislatures in Congress and let them know of our concerns of the veterans plights and stand tall in our convictions at election time and let them know this is what we will do in mass.



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SR. VICE COMMANDANT

Saturday, 24 Jan 2004 we will be having our biggest fund raiser yet. **NITE AT THE RACES.** 1900 hrs to 2300 hrs at the VFW #160 Hall. We hope to have 12 races. Also **BLACK JACK, BIG 6 WHEEL, OVER/UNDER. POKER TABLES** will be available of which the detachment will take a small cut from each hand. \$7.00 per person includes food and draft beer. Please bring your neighbors, friends and relatives. We will need **VOLUNTEERS** to man the tables and assist in anything else that may need to be taken care of during the evening.

VIC HALME
HISTORIAN

14 May 1945, Cpl. Louis J. Hauge, Jr., leader of a machine -gun squad serving in CO. C, First Batt., First Marine Div. on Okinawa Shima, boldly took the initiative to personally annihilate two Japanese machine guns sending a hail of fire against his platoon. As he charged the first bunker he was wounded and launched a single handed grenade attack destroying it and advancing to the second bunker still tossing grenades wiped it out before being mortally wounded by Japanese snipers. He gallantly gave his life in the service of his country and the United States Marine Corps.



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For those of you who have forgotten, our
First Commandant was Samuel
Nicholas, 28 Nov 1775- Aug. 1783.

At the end of the Revolutionary War,
1783 the Marines were disbanded and
reestablished 12 July 1798 by President
Adams and he appoints William Ward
Burrows as Commandant who served till
6 March 1804. Burrows selects the
present site of barracks at 8th & I, Home
of the Commandant and also organizes
the first Marine Band.

Archibald Henderson, 5th Commandant
longest continuously serving
Commandant in the history of the
Corps, 17 Oct 1820-6 Jan 1859.

Shortest service is of Anthony Gale, 4th
Commandant, 3 Mar 1819-8 Oct 1820.
He eventually is court-martialed and
pleads guilty to temporary insanity and
leaves office in disgrace.

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On behalf of all the officers and
members of this Detachment, I want to
welcome new Marines, E. "Bob"
Marjchrzak, Donald Blanton, Mike
Lattau, Howard Johnson, John Vain and
Don Mathews of Knox, PA.

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give your "Marine Hubby" any better
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your years are free. At this rate you are
making \$ 25.00 plus per year on your
initial investment even if they raise the
yearly dues the next day after you
become a lifer.

DANNY FISCHIO
PUBLIC RELATIONS

Thanks to the Dept. of MD. VFW, E-5 Service members on R&R from Iraq are Being provided free shuttle service to the DC area airports from BWI to make connecting flights to other areas of the country. Also thanks to DELTA AIRLINES, for being the only airline so far to offer greatly discounted round trip prices to all service members within the US. As an example, Delta is offering same day roundtrip ticket to Honolulu from BWI at less than \$500.00 The Commander in Chief (VFW) has encouraged the rest of the airline Executives to put profits aside and help those who are serving on foreign soil in harms way to be united with loved ones during these trying times.

The ladies VFW auxiliary is seeking some help to organize food baskets for the needy this Saturday morning. Any help we (MCL) can give them will be greatly appreciated.

THE HOME DEPOT is generously donating up to \$1,000.00 to families whose military sponsors, wives/husbands who are not financially or physically capable of performing the necessary repairs or replacements to your home. You can make application through the web at www.projecthome.org or contact your local Home Depot Store.

Back in Sep 2003, our own Marine Charles Young decided to revisit his old alma mater on a reunion trip for the 50th anniversary. Place, KOREA. Chuck had a great time and revisited places he had been when he served back

in the early 50's. Met a lot of his old Marine buddies that served with him during the Korean War. To him this was a memory that will last forever.

The Marine Corps League, Dept. of WVA is asking for support from all MCL Detachments in quest of getting a petition to get Congress to name a Naval Vessel in honor of WVA's own and only living recipient of the MEDAL OF HONOR, HERSHEL "WOODY" WILLIAMS. Woody is a WWII Marine who received this prestigious award on Guadalcanal. There is a petition on the bulletin board at the VFW to be signed so make it an effort to sign up the next time you visit the lounge.

Last Tuesday, Marines Guy Hall and Kenny Rollins attended the Veterans Grand Opening of the new Smithsonian Aero Space Museum at Leesburg, VA Near Dulles Airport. 4,000 veterans attended this gala. An array of delicious food was served from sterling silver settings and all the works. Our own Marine, Ass't Commandant of the Marine Corps. (Ret) Gen John Davies was in charge of the ceremonies and also the Director of this Museum. It will open to the public, 17 Dec 2003. Guy and Kenny stated they had a great time. It is a great place to take your family and experience some of the greatest military and civilian air history that can only be seen here in the world.

*The Marine Corps League and the
John Basilone Stamp Campaign
cordially invite you to attend
the third annual commemoration of
"Cy Sgt John Basilone Day"*

*This day is a remembrance and celebration of
the life of Gunny Basilone and all Marines who
have given so much for the freedom of the
United States.*

Date: 19 February 2004

Time: 1900

*Place: Freedom Museum at the
Manassas Regional Airport*

Phone: 571-259-4624

Please RSVP

A light repast will be served.



CHUCK YOUNGS KOREAN VETERANS ASSOCIATION

29 SEP 03 CAMP BONIFES (PANMUNJON, KOREA)

LEFT TO RIGHT:

TOM HIGGINS

ROGER MAZZONE

CHARLES YOUNG

MARINE

USAF

MARINE