

Marine Corps League Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049



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Detachment Newsletter - Sunday, June 23, 2002

Winter and Spring are something of the past and summer is upon us.

A few things have happened in the past few months since our last meeting and newsletter was sent out.

Again, our birthday ball set for November 9 is in full swing. Ed Ross and his committee are doing a great job in putting this affair together as a first rate production. If you are going to attend get your tickets and table reserved now, not tomorrow or next week but now. The tickets will go out to our own people first and their guests and then to the public. I assure you all 116 tickets will be sold and paid for prior to October 1. Don't let it pass you bye this year.

We had a great turnout for the Memorial Day Observance. We had members assisting the American Legion Post 276, VFW Post 160 and 16 members in the ceremony at Crownsville Veterans Cemetery.

A big gratitude of thanks goes out to our own Chaplain, Les Bates for arranging the guest speaker, Major General Blum from the Army National guard to speak at Crownsville. Former Marine, now Major General Sumptor of the Army National Guard was originally scheduled to speak but due to a death in the immediate family, was unable to attend.

Jake Jahelka, Pistol Team Captain reported that the pistol team done a great job at Indiantown Gap, PA at the Marine Corps League annual pistol matches. Their total scores increased over last year. As of this writing, a full assessment has not been made available to any of the teams yet. If you are

interested in getting involved in the rifle team and shooting at "The GAP" the last weekend of September, call Jake at 410-799-7578 for full details. Those attending the pistol meet was Jake Jahelka, Denny Bynum, Dan Flschio, Mike Hadley, Eugene Lynch, Roger Pirkey and Guy Hall.

Additional <u>Pistol Match photos</u> can be found in the <u>Photo History</u> Section of our web site.

Chaplain Bates has reported that the mother of our Marine Vic Halme recently passed away in Norfolk, Va. after a long illness. Services were private and we express our sincere condolences to Vic and his family.

It is also great to report that Fred Downey is up and running after a 4-way by-pass. Welcome to the "Zipper Club" Fred and keep up the things you have to do to stay healthy.

If you know of anyone who is ill or in distress please call Les Bates at 410-987-0386.

Our Sr. Vice Commandant, Manny Airey need some help in organizing a couple of fund raisers. Any volunteers would be greatly appreciated. We cannot rely solely on dues to keep our bank account to a comfortable level. We must have some operating allowances. Please get involved.

It is great to announce that we now have a Ladies Auxiliary and will have their first meeting the same night as our general meeting, June 24 at 1900. Please encourage your spouse to join up and enjoy the fellowship of what is going to be a great organization and a huge help to our League. For more information, call the President, Dawn Parker at 410-551-7846. (See the <u>Auxiliary web page</u>.)

Jake Jahelka cooks up a great lunch at the VFW Monday through Friday. The food is in abundance and the prices are very, very reasonable. The VFW also has Friday night dinners offering a variety of different meals each Friday night. After dinner they have "Bar Bingo" that everyone seems to enjoy.

The VFW will sponsor a Crab Feast on August 11, 2002. For more information call the post home at 410-766-9802 for tickets and times. It has always been a great success with great food in the past. A few of our Marines work it and help prepare the serve the food so you know it has got to be good. The VFW has welcomed and enjoyed our participation to their Post activities in the past and they will appreciate any help we can give them in the future so don't hesitate to come out and support the activities of both our our organizations.

Speaking on behalf of the VFW Post 160 Auxiliary member, Marine Corps friend and post horticulturess, Jane Barnes, really out did herself in planting flowers and building the flower boxes around the building. The place really looks beautiful. Everyone concerned owes you, Jane, a debt of gratitude for a job well done.

Also a big kudo for our Marine Ed Ross and his partner Dan Krieseler, Former Air Force, for donating the time and money to replace all the lighting, wiring and ballasts in the large VFW sign on the front lawn

A great big thanks go to Marines Denny Bynum and Dan Fischio for there generosity in keeping the grass cut around the post.

Congratulations to Bob Hole, the newly elected Commander of Post 160. Bob has been this route previously so he is o stranger to the responsibilities of the job. He has been active in the post for the past several years and we, the League will continue to offer our support in anyway we can.

Also congratulations to our very own Jake Jahelka on being elected Seam Squirrel (Commander) of the "Cooties" Pup Tent 3 here at the VFW. The "Cooties" are the honor society of the VFW. He can surely serve up some good ones.

MARINES, bring a fellow Marine to the meeting this Monday, June 24 16 1900.