

# Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049

# Newsletter

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# Detachment Pistol Team Wins Police "L" Team Matches at Lewistown Pistol Club's Yankee 3600 and Harrisburg Hunters & Angler's Walter Wise Matches



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#### COMMANDANT'S MESSAGE

Steve Salanik



I just returned from Parris Island to see my nephew graduate. It was good to see the Island from a different perspective. After 39 years I got to see the entire base, not just the 3rd

battalion area.

Hopefully this newsletter will reach you before the Bull and Oyster Roast. Remember it is Sunday October 21st. Come out and support the Detachment.

As the Junior Vice mentions in his article, we have to consider a dues increase. The Department and National are taking eight more dollars out of every member's dues. Just printing and mailing this newsletter cost about \$12 per member a year.

I hope to see all of you at our next meeting on October 22nd.

Semper Fi, Steve Salanik

























#### Senior Vice Ed Ross

#### **Annual Bull & Oyster Roast**



I would like to see every Marine from our Detachment this Sunday at the Bull Roast. Bring a guess you all will enjoy it

Sunday October 21, 2007 at VFW Post 160's Hall. 2597 Dorsey Rd. Glen Burnie Md. 21060.

The time is from 1 to 6 PM.

Food 1 to 5 PM Music 2 to 6 PM.

Pit Beef , Oysters and other food items along with Draft Beer big wheels door prizes raffles .

So come join us for Good food and good fun. Tickets: are only \$30.00 You can purchase tickets at Post 160 canteen, just ask the Bartender,

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Semper Fi. & Woof, woof

Ed

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### Junior Vice Commandant Pete Pervi



Fellow Marines,

Please welcome our newest member to the detachment, JOHN G. OWENS. He was sworn in at our

last meeting.

Due to a National dues increase this past July and a dues increase by the Department of Maryland in January 2008, the detachment has to consider an increase in dues also. So it is a good time to consider Life Membership.

The dues currently are: Age 0-35: \$400; Age 36-50: \$350; Age 51-60: \$250; Age 61 – Over: \$125.

The Life membership dues will increase again on January 1, 2009.

For the members that have talked to me about membership problems, I am working with National to get them resolved. While it is moving slowly, we are getting toward resolving the problems.

Semper Fi, Pete







The Toys For Tots campaign is moving along. On Columbus Day Dawn and Nila purchased around \$1,400 worth of toys at Toys R Us. This is money that Toys R Us contributed to us for our drive. A lady in Annapolis gave us 300 Crown trucks. Woody Bowman has collected \$300. We are now entering the time period where help is needed for putting posters up, delivering boxes, picking up toys. Here are events where we need to be involved and your help is needed.

1) I will bring posters and boxes to the meeting on 10/22. We will need to get them out and about. I'll explain in detail at the meeting

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- On Saturday October 20th several units of the Young Marines in our area are doing a Toys for Tots event for us at the Old Glory Harley Davidson Dealership in Laurel. The dealer ship is located by 198/295. They have invited Marine Corps League members to come. Please try and stop by in uniform to support them. If we could get some of the Jeeps there also that would be great.
- 3) On Friday November 2 and Saturday November 3 is the kickoff weekend of the Toys"R"Us and Babies"R"Us Ultimate Toy Drive in support of the 2007 Toys for Tots Campaign. Significant time and financial resources are being invested by Toys "R" Us to ward driving media to their stores during this weekend. They are asking local TV stations across the country to send film crews to their stores to shoot images of Toys for Tots pers onnel representing the U.S. Marine Corps and Toys for Tots while interacting with custom ers. We need Marine Corps League members in uniform at the store in Glen Burnie Mall on both days. I would like to get the Jeeps there also.
- 4) On the weekend of November 10-11, the Columbia & Howard County Soccer Association is running two tournaments with the games beginning at 9AM and running to about 5PM. They have dedicated this weekend as Toys For Tots weekend in support of us. We need to set up collection points at 8AM and pickup the toys around 4PM at the following locations:

Dunloggin Middle School 9129 Northfield Road Ellicott City, MD 21042 Harpers Choice Middle School 5450 Beaverkill Road Columbia, Md. 21044

Northrop Fields at Covenant Park 4560 Centennial Lane Ellicott City, MD 21042

We have three locations for toy storage:

- 1) Storage POD from Packrat located behind VFW Post 160. The bartender has the key for it. You can put toys in there. Once it is full the company will bring an empty container and the full one will be taken to the warehouse to be emptied.
- 2) We have a garage space donated by Tony's Custom Exhaust located at 550 Crain Hwy North. Most toys will come here to be sorted. Once sorted, we will move them to the warehouse.
- 3) We have a 1,431 sg. Ft. of office space and 4,089 sq. ft. of warehouse space at 1667 Knecht Ave. Suites E&F. This is located in Caton Research Center by the I95/I695 interchange. This is where we will store the toys and distribute from this location.

As you can see, we are doing a lot and still have a lot more to do.

Pete

# Public Relations Ed Dahling

This Year - The Marine Corps League Hosts the Nationally Televised National Veterans Day Ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery!

Be a part of all the weekend activities, including the 2nd National Marine Corps League, Marine Corps Birthday Ball for just \$100 per person (including bus to and from events). The **Fairview Park Marriott** has special room rates at \$90 per night for attendees at the weekend ceremonies to include November 9, 10, 11, 2007. Call direct to hotel at (703) 849-9400 and request your room under the Marine Corps League block of rooms.

On November 10, 2007, there will be a tour of the Marine Corps War Memorial and Korean War Memorial. The Uniform of the Day: Marine Corps League Casual w/cover (Red Blazer) preferred.

Later that evening the Marine Corps League will hold it's 2nd annual National Marine Corps League Marine Corps Birthday Ball at <u>Fairview Park Marriott</u> in Falls Church, VA. The Guest of Honor will be SgtMaj Gene Overstreet, 12th SgtMaj of the Marine Corps.

Uniform of the day - Gentlemen: Marine Corps League Formal; MCL Casual Uniform; Civilian Formal or Business suit.

Ladies: Marine Corps League Formal; MCL Casual Uniform; Formal or cocktail dress

On November 11, 2007, The Marine Corps League Hosts the Nationally Televised National Veterans Day Ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery. The Uniform of the day, in desired order of preference is Marine Corps League Casual Uniform w/cover or Marine Corps League Undress Uniform w/cover. (Dress warmly)

On November 12, 2007, there will be a tour of the National Museum of the Marine Corps. The museum is situated on a 135-acre site adjacent to the Marine Corps base in Quantico, Virginia. The museum's soaring design evokes the image of the flag raisers of Iwo Jima and beckons visitors to its 100,000 square foot structure. World-class, interactive exhibits using the most innovative technology will surround visitors with irreplaceable artifacts and immerse them in the sights and sounds of Marines in action.



## Military Order of the Devil Dogs (MODD)

The Fun and Honor Society of the Marine Corps League (MCL)

Woof, woof,

Things are still going very well in Dogdom. The Pack of Maryland held a Growl immediately after the Department Staff Meeting on 15 Sep 07. Actually it was immediately after a few Dogs gathered around the watering hole across the street and managed to drag their tails back upstairs. Pound 204 was well represented at both the watering hole and the Growl.

I still haven't received any official bylaw changes since the Supreme Growl. I guess "No news is good news."

We still have a few Dogs who have not paid their 2008 dues. Remember that your dues expired on 31 Aug. Dogs with dues in arrears cannot hold off or transfer out of the Pound. If you haven't paid yours yet, please get them into me ASAP. They remain \$15.00. Make the payable to MODD Pound 204. My address is 7944 Oakwood Road, Glen Burnie, Md. 21061.

Enjoy the fall and get out and see the leaves beautiful colors. With the dry summer we had, they won't last long.
And as always, keep the fleas at a safe distance.

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

Woof, woof, PDD Paul Taylor Dog Robber



# VAVS Phil Schwarzenberg

WASHINGTON – U.S. Representative John Boozman (R-AR), the Ranking Republican on the Veterans Economic Opportunity Subcommittee, has introduced important bipartisan legislation aimed at improving the Department of Veterans' Affairs outreach to veterans.

The Boozman bill is co-sponsored by Rep. Stephanie Herseth Sandlin (D-SD), chairwoman of the Economic Opportunity Subcommittee.

H.R. 3681, the "Veterans Benefits Awareness Act of 2007," authorizes the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to purchase advertising in national media outlets to promote awareness of benefits that are available to veterans and their dependents.

"Getting the word out to our veterans about the benefits they may be entitled to is currently based on an out-dated communications model," Boozman said. "Instead of relying on brochures and posters,

VA should be using modern media channels of all types to keep our veterans informed as to what they are entitled to, and how they can begin receiving benefits. I've seen lots of recruiting ads for the military services but when was the last time you saw a VA commercial during the Super Bowl? VA needs to communicate better about the great programs they have for our veterans and reliance on free public service announcements and pamphlets just The chaplain's duty at our detach

#### Chaplain's Corner

The chaplain's duty at our detachment is important to all of us, and I can only be effective and perform my duty if I am kept informed. Please notify me as soon as possible regarding any sickness, distress, or deaths to any marine or marine's family member. My phone number is;

410-859-1325. My address is:

Kenneth R. Rollins 101 S. Longcross Rd.

Linthicum Hts., Md. 21090

#### PISTOL TEAM SHOOTS LPC YANKEE 3600 AND HH&A WALTER WISE MATCHES



HARRISBURG, PA (September 16, 2007): Detachment pistol team members shot two Police "L" pistol matches in Pennsylvania during the month of September. They shot the Lewistown Pistol Club's (LPC) Yankee 3600 and the Har-

risburg Hunters and Anglers (HH&A) Walt Wise matches. Team members included Denny Bynum, Earl Parker, Rudy Snyder, Ed Grove and Mike Hadley.

The matches were no alibi Police "L" and used the Lewis scoring system. The matches consisted of 360 rounds; A .22 rim fire and a center fire match was fired each of two days with a total of 180 rounds with the .22 rim fire and 180 rounds with any center fire pistol. The matches were fired at 25-yards with the follows course of fire:

- Slow fire 20 shots total. 4-minutes per 10 rounds
- Police "L" course 30 shots total. 10 slow, 10 timed and 10 rapid.
- Timed fire 20 shots total 15 seconds per 5 shots.
- Rapid fire 20 shots total 11 seconds per 5 shots.

All fired on Police "L" targets.

At the completion of each match, the scores are sorted highest to lowest. Then the list is divided into equal thirds (called A, B & C classes). The top three to ten in each class are awarded money for placing. No one knows where they place until all the round have been shot. This makes it FUN!

At LPC the team won a second place in the team match. Ed Grove won "High Senior" and placed match third overall. At HH&A the team won first place in the .22 and a third place in the center fire team matches. Ed Grove again placed third in the match. In the two-man team matches, Denny Bynum and Mike Hadley took a third place with the .22 pistol and a fourth place with center fire pistol.

All detachment members are welcome to shot the match next year. Furthermore, the Marine Corps League Auxiliary and other official subsidiaries with the Marine Corps League are permitted to enter. If you are interested, contact the Shooting Team Captain, Mike Hadley (410-340-9033).

GOOD JOB team members! Remember, sight alignment, trigger pull and keep your powder dry.





#### Historian Vic Halme

# This Month in History Selected October Dates of Marine Corps Historical Significance

- **6 October 1945:** On Tientsin Peiping road, Marines have first fire fight with Chinese Communist.
- **27 October 1965:** Viet Cong raids wreck Marine aircraft at Marble Mountain and Chu Lai.
- **30 October 1979:** Embassy Marines drive off crowd with tear gas in San Salvadador, El Salvador.
- 23 October 1983: Terrorist truck bomb blows up headquarters of 1st Battalion, 8th Marines at Beirut airport killing 241 Americans of whom 220 are Marines
- **25 October 1983:** Marines and Army intervene in Grenada, West Indies,
- **17 October 1820:** Archibald Henderson appointed Commandant, holds position for thirty eight years until his death.
- **30 October 1845:** President James Polk send 1st Lt Archibald Gillespie to California with secret orders.





## Legislative Jim LeGette

Meredith Beck, Director, National Policy for the Wounded Warrior Project and individual law-makers are upset at the lack of action regarding pending legislation to help wounded veterans. The Wounded Warrior Assistance Act has been bogged down in both houses of the U.S. Congress because of partisanship involved with the 2008 defense authorization bill and simply Congress has not acted.

Because of the discovery of several "fake" heroes around the country and the revelation the Library of Congress' Veterans History Project site lists hundreds of unsubstantiated war stories and claims of medals of valor, there is a concentrated attempt to cleanup this sad state of record keeping regarding our heroes. In pursuit of the development of a publicly accessible database in order for anyone to verify various military claims by a citizen, Representative John Salazar (D-CO), has prepared a bill, HR 3769, which he calls the Military Valor Bill of Honor of 2007. This bill would be a major step in order to help curtail the bogus claims by very dishonorable individuals. Eventually each military organization (retired) would be able to confirm the claims of veterans, both inside the organization and publicized claims by all veterans brought to their attention.





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