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| 2005 | Manny Airey | | |



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COMMANDANT'S MESSAGE

Steve Salanik



Sorry but this will be short. I had my arm operated on and now only have one hand to type with. Hope to see you all at our next meeting on August 27th.

Star-Spangled Banner Weekend to be commemorated in Baltimore and at Fort McHenry September 7, 8 & 9, 2007!

I will have more information on this at our meeting.

Semper Fi, Steve Salanik



























Senior Vice Ed Ross

Well the summer is almost over hope everyone and their family is happy and well. Our next venture will be the Bull and Oyster roast in Oct. I will have more info at the next general meeting. We still need volunteers to help around the post especially for Saturday mourning clean up. If you are available please let us know.

Ed Ross Sr. Vice



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I hope you and your family have been enjoying the summer.

Would **Gary L. Barr, Christopher B. Kalwa and Howard I. Throngard Jr.** please attend our August 27th meeting, so they may be presented with their **Life Membership**.

The new transmittal forms from National that are used for new, renewals and change notification now requires; full name, DOB, address, telephone number and an email (if they have one). Based on this I would like to take this opportunity to ensure that our detachment membership files are up-to-date and accurate. So I am requesting that each one of you write down, bring to the meeting and provide me with your: NAME, MEMBER NUMBER, ADDRESS, ZIP+4, TELE-PHONE NUMBER, E-MAIL ADDRESS. It is important that I have correct membership information. I appreciate your support in this matter.

Prior to changes in federal guidelines on personal privacy, we accepted copies of DD214s or other proof of Honorable Discharge. With the current rules, we are not allowed to keep copies of these personal documents. I will bring to the meeting all the copies I currently have. If you would like the copies back, please see me either before or after the meeting. I will be shredding all the copies in my possession after the August meeting so the Detachment is in compliance with the privacy rules.

If you have Marines for new membership, please call me at 410-987-3811 and let me know prior to the meeting.

Semper Fi.

Pete

Rifle & Pistol Team Captain Mike Hadley

- 1. The Department of Pennsylvania 28th Annual Keystone Rifle Match will be held at Fort Indiantown Gap, PA the weekend of 28-30 September 2007. This year ALL shooters are required to wear safety glasses in the butts.
- 2. Review the attachment.
- 3. Fill out & sign the two attached "Release and Hold Harmless Forms. Keep the information sheet for you reference.
- 4. Attach the \$30.00 registration fee (Make checks payable to A.A. Co. Detachment 1049) and return to me NLT 23-July-2007.
- 5. Semper Fi and good shooting. If you have questions see me, call me at 410-340-9033 or e-mail me at shooter@mclaacdet1049.org.

To: Participants of the Department of Pennsylvania, Marine Corps League 28th Annual Keystone Rifle Match

Subj: 2007 Department of Pennsylvania Service Rifle Match

Encl: (1) 2007 Service Rifle Match Information Sheet

- (2) MCL Department of Pennsylvania Release and Hold Harmless Form
- (3) Fort Indiantown Gap Release & Hold Harmless Form
- (4) Notice of Safety Glasses use in butts
- 1. The Department of Pennsylvania 28th Annual Keystone Rifle Match will be held at Fort Indiantown Gap, PA the weekend of 28-30 September. This year ALL shooters are required to wear safety glasses in the butts. Please read, fill out, attach the entry fee and return to me the following:

RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

The information is for use to determine eligibility for voluntary participation in activity of the

DEPARTMENT OF PENNSYLVANIA MARINE CORPS LEAGUE RIFLE MATCH In the area of Fort Indiantown Gap, Disclosure of requested information is voluntary, but failure to disclose all or any part of it may result in denial of permission to participate in such activities. Scheduled for September PERSONAL DATA: NAME First Middle Last CITY____STATE__ZIP___ ADDRESS PERSON TO BE NOTIFIED IN CASE OF EMERGENCY_____ RELATIONSHIP______ADDRESS ______CITY_____STATE__ZIP____ (If different than above) TELEPHONE: AREA CODE _____NUMBER_____ DECLARATION: In consideration of my participation in the **Department of Pennsyl**vania Marine Corps League Service / Rifle Match scheduled to be held on: (fill in Dates of Match)_____ at Fort Indiantown Gap in Pennsylvania, I, the undersigned, intending to be legally bound do hereby waive for myself, parent(s), guardian, executor(s), heir(s), assigns and administrator(s) any and all rights and claims for damages, demands and any other action(s) whatsoever, including those which may be attributable to weather conditions, which I may give against any of the following entities: A. Department of the Army, PA National Guard, Fort Indiantown Gap. B. Any current, past or future member of the Marine Corps League, Board of Trustees. C. Any current, past or future officers of the Marine Corps League. D. Any current, past or future members of the Marine Corps League. Arising out of my participation in this event, including any and all injuries or illnesses suffered by me as a result of my participation in this event or use of any current, past or future Marine Corps League facilities in conjunction with my participation. This waiver is executed with the awareness that training areas are not designed nor maintained with the needs of non-member groups in mind. and that conditions which are potentially hazardous may exist, including, but not limited to, obstacles, both natural and man-made, camouflaged as well as visible, holes, ditches, trenches and other irregularities in terrain. SIGNATURE:

Historian Vic Halme

This Month in History Selected August Dates of Marine Corps Historical Significance

- **24 August 1814:** In the Battle of Bladensburg 114 Marines help defend Washington D.C.
- **4 August 1900:** Marines in International Relief Force that marches out of Tentsin to lift siege of Peking Pvt. Dan Daly wins first of two Medals of Honor.
- **14 August 1912:** Maj. Smedley D. Butler leads Marines ashore, beginning intervention in Nicaragua.
- **2 August 1914:** World War I begins. Shortly thereafter the Panama Canal opens for traffic.
- **15 August 1934:** Marines end intervention in Haiti.
- **17 August 1942:** 2d Raider Battalion raids Makin Atoll.
- **7 August 1942:** 1st Marines Division lands on Guadalcanal.
- **30 August 1945:** 4th Marines land at Yokosuka on Tokyo Bay.
- **2 August 1950:** 1st Marine Provisional Brigade lands at Pusan, South Korea.
- **19 August 1974:** Marines defend embassy in Nicosia, Cyprus, after mob kills U.S. ambassador.



Legislative Jim LeGette



Legislation Would Allow Salute to the Flag

Legislation sponsored by U. S. Senator Jim Inholfe (S. 1877) clarifies U. S. Law to allow vet erans and servicemen not in uniform to salute the flag. Current law (U.S. Code Title 4, Chapter 1) states that veterans and servicemen not in uniform should place their hand over their heart without clarifying whether they can or should salute the flag. The bill passed in the Senate recently by unanimous consent.





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| | sor's Signa | () I hereby apply for membership in the Marine Corps League as a Member-at-Large (MAL), and enclose \$30.00 for one year's membership." 'Includes free subscription to MARINE CORPS LEAGUE MAGAZINE I hereby certify that I am currently serving or have served honorably in the U.S. Marine Corps, on active duty, for not less than ninet (90) days * or have served or am currently serving in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve and have earned no less than ninety (90). Reserve Retirement Credit Points or that I have served or am currently serving as a U.S. Navy Corpsman who has trained with Marine FMF Units in excess of ininety (90) days and earned the Marine Corps Device or Warfare Device worn on the Service Ribbs authorized for FMF Corpsmen. If discharged, I am in receipt of an honorable discharge or DD 214. By signature on this application, I hereby agree to provide proof of honorable service/discharge upon request. (*Korean War Era Marines See National Bytaws Article 6. Section 600) | | | |
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Congress Against Hiking VA Budget Figure

Moves in <u>Congress</u> to give the Department of Veterans Affairs as much as \$3.8 billion more than the Bush administration proposed has drawn an indirect veto threat from the White House.

"If Congress increases VA funding above the president's request and does not offset this increase with spending reductions in other bills, the president will veto any of the other bills that exceed his request until Congress demonstrates a path to reach the president's top line of \$933 billion," the Office of Management and Budget said in a statement. The Veterans Affairs budget currently stands at \$36.5 billion, and the administration has proposed raising it to \$40.1 billion. In Congress, a conference committee is attempting to reconcile a House bill providing \$3.8-billion beyond that with a Senate measure that would increase the administration's proposal by \$3.6 billion.

Rep. <u>Chet Edwards</u>, D-Texas, chairman of the House veterans affairs appropriations subcommittee, said, "This bill is about respect, and honors the promises made to our veterans with historic increases in funding to provide them the <u>health care and benefits</u> they earned when they put on our nation's uniform."

Take Action: Tell your public officials how you feel about this issue.

Bill to Improve Care

Responding to shabby outpatient treatment of wounded soldiers at Walter Reed Army Medical Center, in Washington, D.C., a group of U.S. senators moved June 13 to boost disability pay to those hurt in combat and improve care for brain injury. The measure would also expand medical care and counseling to family members and require better cooperation to end red tape for disabled service members moving from Pentagon care to that provided by the VA.

The measure would boost military severance pay for those rated with less than 30 percent disability and eliminate the current requirement that severance pay be deducted from disability pay. It would also set up Pentagon pilot programs that would give the VA a greater role in the evaluation system, a major shift in how benefits are administered.

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Fake Marine's Cemetery Duty Reviewed



The man who impersonated a decorated Marine has so incensed the military community that the director of Ta-

homa National Cemetery plans to ask the courts to reconsider whether he should do his community service there.

"When this whole thing came to light, it raised a lot of hair on people," said Jim Trimbo, the director of the National Cemetery in Kent.

Reggie Buddle, 59, was sentenced earlier this week to two years of probation and 500 hours of community service at the cemetery after pleading guilty to unlawful wearing of U.S. military medals and decorations.

Buddle, who conducted various services and appeared as an honorary Marine chaplain, wore medals and service decorations for extraordinary valor and combat service in <u>Vietnam</u>, including a Combat Action Ribbon, a Presidential Unit Citation ribbon and the Defense Distinguished Service Medal.

Buddle, of Puyallup, did serve in the Army for two years, but never saw combat. He was not a Marine. Nor is he an ordained minister. Both for Buddle's safety, and out of respect for the veterans' families who feel offended by his actions, Trimbo said he plans to ask the court to reconsider the location of Buddle's community service.

"This case is unique in its offenses," he said. "It does offend certain people, but he was also assigned here to learn what real heroes are."

One Marine's family specifically asked that Buddle not work near a family grave.

If Buddle does end up doing his community service at the cemetery, he would not be tending graves, but would be washing cars, sweeping walks and working in flower beds, said Trimbo, who has not yet met with Buddle, and said plans were on hold until he can talk to the court. "In the (Veterans Affairs') National Cemetery System we're highly dedicated to the veteran community, and we're not going to expose them to (an offensive situation), nor am I going to expose that gentleman to any potential abuse."

House Approves Cold War medal

The House approved the 2008 Defense Authorization bill (H.R. 1585) May 17. One of its components (Section 556) would create a Cold War Victory Medal to recognize U.S. veterans who served honorably between Sept. 2, 1945 and Dec. 26, 1991. A similar proposal (S.1097) is pending in the senate.

The Pentagon is opposed because of the cost, which it estimates at \$250 million. Supporters say it would be closer to \$11 million because only 5% of the 24 million eligible vets would apply. The Congressional Budget Office projected 3 million vets would seek the medal at a cost of \$32 million.

Re. Robert Andrews (D-N.J.), who sponsored the House measure, said the medal should be approved, regardless of cost: "The United States would be a very different place today if the Soviet Union was still a viable, active military force."





The History of Parris Island

During 1715 an Englishman named Colonel Alexander Parris purchased the island and eight small surrounding island. Until the Civil War, plantation life flourished here. Marines were first stationed on Parris Island in 1891, in the form of a small security detachment headed by First Sergeant Richard Donovan.

His unit was attached to the Naval Station, Port Royal, the forerunner of Parris Island. Donovan's unit was highly commended for preserving life and property during hurricanes and tidal waves that swept over the island in 1891 and 1893.

Military buildings and homes that were constructed between 1891 and World War I form the nucleus of the Parris Island Historic District. At the district center are the commanding general's home, a 19th century wooden dry dock and a turn of the century gazebo - all of which are on the National Register of Historic Places.

On November 1, 1915, Parris Island was officially designated a Marine Corps Recruit Depot and training was continued from then on. Prior to 1929, all transportation to and from the island was by ferry from Port Royal docks to the Recruit Depot docks. In that year the causeway and a bridge over Archer's Creek were completed, thus ending the water transportation era.

The causeway was dedicated as the General E. Pollock Memorial Causeway in April 1984. During the fateful December of 1941, 5,272 recruits arrived here with 9,206 arriving the following month, making it necessary to add the 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th Recruit Training Battalions. As the war influx continued, five battalions, were sent to New River, N.C., to train and the Depot expanded to 13 battalions.

From 1941 through 1945, 204,509 recruits were trained here. At the time of the Japanese surrender, more than 20,000 recruits were aboard the depot. On February 15, 1949, a separate "command" was activated for the sole purpose of training female Marine recruits. This command has since been designated the 4th Recruit Training Battalion and is the only battalion in the Corps to train female recruits.

The Korean conflict began in 1950 when 2,350 recruits were in training. From then until the 1st Marine Division was withdrawn from Korea, Parris Island drill instructors trained more than 138,000 recruits. During March 1952, the peak training load of 24,424 recruits was reached.

The recruit tide again flooded during the years of the Vietnam War. A peak training load of 10,979 was reached during March 1966. Today, about 19,000 recruits are trained at Parris Island each year.

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