



# Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049

# Newsletter

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## **Maryland Gazette Reports Achievements of A.A. Co. Det 1049 Shooting Team**



As reported in the Saturday, Feb 17, 2007 issue of the Maryland Gazette: "The Marine Corps League Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049 Pistol team competed in the Walter Wise Memorial Police Pistol Match in Harrisburg, PA., where they placed second in the .22 caliber event and third in the .45 caliber event. Pictured here are team members Rudy Snyder of York, PA., Mike Hadley of Severn, Ted Kees of Linthicum, Earl Parker of Hanover and Denny Bynum of Odenton."

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# Semper Fidelis!

## COMMANDANT'S MESSAGE

Danny Fischio



Nominations for the elected offices of Commandant, Senior Vice Commandant, Junior Vice Commandant and Judge Advocate will be held at the February and March meetings with voting being held at the March meeting. Installation of newly elected Officers will take place at the April Detachment meeting. So be thinking about those Marines of this Detachment that you consider to be most qualified to lead us during this coming year. Also this is the time, if you have any ideas to make our meetings and Detachment better, or you would like to assist with current activities and functions please let your elected officers know.

Marine of the Year Nominations for 2006 should be submitted to the Commandant no later than February 26<sup>th</sup> and may be hand delivered, emailed [cmdt@mclaacdet1049.org], regular postal mail [P.O. Box 804, Severn, MD 21144] or dropped off at the VFW Post 160 [Detachment mail slot in the office] in a sealed envelope. Past Detachment Marine of the Year Manny Airey and Bill Creager will head up the Marine of the Year selection committee.

Upcoming events to mark your calendars with include:

- Detachment Meeting/Nomination of Officers February 26, 2007 at 1900
- Marine of the Year Nominations are due February 26, 2007
- MCL Mid East Division Convention March 1-3, 2007
- Friday Night Dinner Fund Raiser, March 2, 2007 1800-2000
- Department Staff Meeting March 17, 2007 at 0900
- Detachment Meeting/Nomination and Election of Officers, March 26, 2007 at 1900
- Detachment Meeting/Installation of Officers April 23, 2007 at 1900

On March 2<sup>nd</sup> the Detachment will be holding the Friday night dinner at VFW Post 160 served from 1800 – 2000, this is just one of our fund raisers, so come out and enjoy an inexpensive dinner and support your Detachment. Dinner will be Italian style Paella (combination chicken, seafood, rice and vegetable dish), prepared by Rich Gonzales, so come on out and give it a try.

We continue to have an outstanding turnout at our monthly meetings; it's your support that makes our Detachment successful. To the extent possible, I hope to see you all at our next membership meeting scheduled for February 26<sup>th</sup> at 1900.

Semper Fi  
Danny R Fischio



## Senior Vice Commandant

Steve Salanik



I hope everyone is staying safe and warm from all of the ice and cold we are having. Spring is still a month away. Of course spring is an important time for the Detachment. This is when we elect those who will keep the Detachment moving forward. As I said last month, I would like to see more members participate as either elected or appointed officers. Let's get some new ideas for the Detachment.

Nothing is happening right now with our fundraisers. I know Gary Frye and Manny Airey are busy planning the spring golf tournament. If anyone else has any ideas for other events or raffles, please let me know. I hope all of you can make our next meeting on February 26<sup>th</sup>.

Semper Fi, & Woof, Woof  
Steve

## Junior Vice Commandant

Gary Frye



Hello Marines,

This month I would like Wayne McNeir # PLM-45812 to attend the Detachment meeting on February 26 @ 1900 hours so I can present him with his life membership certificate and lapel pin. Other than presenting Wayne with his Life Membership I have nothing else to report regarding memberships.

I would also like to request that members attempt to get tee sponsors for our second annual golf tournament scheduled for 07 May 2007 at Bay Hills. As noted in last months newsletter this will be strictly profit, the more the better. Another note concerning the golf tournament, I would like to set up a canopy on one of the tee boxes and have golfers pay \$5.00 per person to wear a dress and tee off from the ladies tees. Being that said, we will need someone to take photographs and of course we will need some dresses from our significant others. If anyone else has any ideas please feel free to call Manny or myself.

Semper Fi  
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## *Historian*

Vic Halme



### **This Month in History**

#### ***Selected February Dates of Marine Corps Historical Significance***

**1 February 1967:** Operation Prairie II was begun in Quang Tri province by elements of the 3d Marine Division. During the 46-day search-and-destroy operation which terminated 18 March, 93 Marines and 693 of the enemy were killed.

**2 February 1944:** The 4th Marine Division, as part of the first assault on islands controlled by the Japanese before the start of World War II, captured Namur and eight other islands in the Kwajalein Atoll.

**6 February 1968:** Two reduced Marine battalions, the 1st Battalion, 1st Marines with two companies, and 2d Battalion, 5th Marines with three, recaptured Hue's hospital, jail, and provincial headquarters. It would take three more weeks of intense house to house fighting, and nearly a thousand Marines killed and wounded, before the imperial city was secured.

**8 Feb 1832:** Brevet Capt. Alvin Edson leads attack at Quallah Battoo, Sumatra.

**11 February 1922:** BGen John H. Russell was appointed U.S. High Commissioner and personal representative of the President to the government of Haiti. This nine-year assignment placed this future Commandant in supreme command of both the occupying American force and the Haitian Gendarmerie.

**15 February 1998:** One hundred years ago this date, 28 Marines and 232 seamen lost their lives when the battleship MAINE was mysteriously sunk by an explosion in the harbor of Havana, Cuba. Though no definitive evidence linked the Spanish with the sinking, the cry went up, "Remember the Maine!", and by late April the U.S. and Spain were at war.

**17 February 1967:** The first full day of Operation DECKHOUSE VI, which lasted until 3 March, was conducted near Quang Ngai city. The Special Landing Force (BLT Y4 and HMM-363) accounted for 280 enemy killed.

**19 Feb 1945:** 4th and 5th Marines divisions assault Iwo Jima, raise flag on Mount Suribachi four days later.

**19 Feb 1970:** Combat patrol of 7th Marines charged with deaths of eleven civilians at Son Thang, Viet Nam.

**20 Feb 1815:** Capt. Archibald Henderson leads Marines in Constitution's victory over Cyane and Levant.

**23 February 1945:** Four days after the initial landings on Iwo Jima, 1stLt Harold G. Schrier led 40 men from Company E, 2d Battalion, 28th Marines, up Mt. Suribachi to secure the crest and raise the small American flag that battalion commander LtCol Chandler Johnson had given Schrier. Within an hour, the patrol reached the rim of the crater. After a short firefight with Japanese defenders emerging from several caves, the small American flag was attached to an iron pipe and raised over the island.

**24 February 1991:** The I Marine Expeditionary Force and coalition forces began a ground assault on Iraqi defenses in the final chapter of Operation Desert Storm. The 1st and 2d Marine Divisions stormed into the teeth of Iraqi defenses while heavily armored allied forces attacked the Iraqi defenses in Iraq from behind. In 100 hours, U.S. and allied forces defeated the Iraqi Army.

**28 Feb 1967:** PFC James Anderson Jr. is first black Marine to win the Medal of Honor.

**28 February 1991:** Operation Desert Storm ended when the cease-fire declared by President George Bush went into effect. I Marine Expeditionary Force has a strength of more than 92,000 making Operation Desert Storm the largest Marine Corps operation in history. A total of 24 Marines were killed in action during the Gulf War.

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**United States Marine Corps**  
*Medal of Honor — 1967*  
*2/3/3, Vietnam*  
**CITATION**

For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty as a rifleman, Second Platoon, Company F, Second Battalion, Third Marines, Third Marine Division, in Vietnam on 28 February 1967. Company F was advancing in dense jungle northwest of Cam Lo in an effort to extract a heavily besieged reconnaissance patrol. Private First Class Anderson's platoon was the lead element and had advanced only about 200 meters when they were brought under extremely intense enemy small arms and automatic weapons fire. The platoon reacted swiftly, getting on line as best they could in the thick terrain, and began returning fire. Private First Class Anderson found himself tightly bunched together with the other members of the platoon only 20 meters from the enemy positions. As the fire fight continued several of the men were wounded by the deadly enemy assault. Suddenly, an enemy grenade landed in the midst of the Marines and rolled along side Private First Class Anderson's head. Unhesitatingly and with complete disregard for his own personal safety, he reached out, grasped the grenade, pulled it to his chest and curled around it as it went off. Although several Marines received shrapnel from the grenade, his body absorbed the major force of the explosion. In this singularly heroic act, Private First Class Anderson saved his comrades from serious injury and possible death. His personal heroism, extraordinary valor, and inspirational supreme self-sacrifice reflected great credit upon himself and the Marine Corps and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country.



**LAWRENCE D. PETERS**  
**SERGEANT**  
**United States Marine Corps**  
*Medal of Honor — 1967*  
*3/4/1, Vietnam*  
**CITATION**

For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty while serving as a Squad Leader with Company M, Third Battalion, Fifth Marines, First Marine Division in the Republic of Vietnam on 4 September 1967. During Operation SWIFT, in the province of Quang Tin, the Marines of the second platoon of Company M were struck by intense mortar, machine gun, and small arms fire from an entrenched enemy force. As the company rallied its forces, Sergeant Peters maneuvered his squad in an assault on an enemy defended knoll disregarding his safety, as enemy rounds hit all about him, he stood in the open, pointing out enemy positions until he was painfully wounded in the leg. Disregarding his wound he moved forward and continued to lead his men. As the enemy fire increased in accuracy and volume, his squad lost its momentum and was temporarily pinned down. Exposing himself to devastating enemy fire, he consolidated his position to render more effective fire. While directing the base of fire, he was wounded a second time in the face and neck from an exploding mortar round. As the enemy attempted to infiltrate the position of an adjacent platoon, Sergeant Peters stood erect in the full view of the enemy firing burst after burst forcing them to disclose their camouflaged positions. Sergeant Peters continued firing until he was critically wounded by a gunshot wound in his chest. Although unable to walk or stand, Sergeant Peters steadfastly continued to direct his squad in spite of two additional wounds, persisted in his efforts to encourage and supervise his men until; he lost consciousness and succumbed. Inspired by his selfless actions, the squad regained fire superiority and once again carried the assault to the enemy. By his outstanding valor, indomitable fighting spirit and tenacious determination in the face of overwhelming odds, Sergeant Peters upheld the highest traditions of the Marine Corps and the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country.

## Legislative

Jim LeGette



The Income Tax – Subtraction Modification – Military Retirement Income has become law effective for the State of Maryland Tax Year of 2006. This means \$5,000 of military retirement income is not subject to taxation for Maryland residents.

During the current session, Maryland State legislators are attempting to raise the Subtraction Modification from \$5,000 to \$20,000. Delegate Ann Love, District 32, is leading the fight under House Bill 176 and Senator Richard Colburn, District 37, is leading the fight under Senate Bill 445.

It is suggested that each military retiree consult with their tax-preparer to insure that you fully qualify for the Subtraction Modification.

Recently, a strong force of veterans visited the Maryland capital and were welcomed by several legislators. One important subject of discussion was a greater tax break for military retirees, similar to many other states that extend a greater tax break than Maryland. The legislators said that they would explore such a benefit.

## Public Relations

Ed Dahling

Are you prepared if a Blizzard struck in this region? Do you have disaster supply kit, if not listed below is recommendations for contents.

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## ***Shooting Team Captain***

*Michael R. Hadley*



Spring is just around the corner and it is getting close to shooting time. The MCL Department of Pennsylvania 2007 Pistol Match will be held 1-3 June 2007 at Fort Indiantown Gap.

I have the necessary information and registration forms. See me or obtain a copy from the distribution box in the Post Canteen. Please READ ALL the information sheet, fill out the necessary forms, include your entry fee of \$30.00 (made payable to A.A. County Detachment 1049) and return to be NLT the March 26, 2007 Detachment Meeting. Any entry request received after March 26 will not be acted on.

Garrison Rifle and Revolver Club sponsors' the AGC Pistol League in May and June, which consists of three national match courses (same format as the Fort Indiantown Gap match) on Tuesday evenings from 1800-2000 at the Associated Gun Clubs of Baltimore (AGC) Bullseye Range in Marriottsville, MD (11518 Marriottsville Road, 21104-1220). The line is called and is good practice to prepare for the upcoming match. The League is open to the public and costs \$3.00 per evening. Come out, get sighted-in and enjoy a great evening of shooting. See <http://www.associatedgunclubs.org/> for more information on the AGC.

If you are interested in joining Garrison Rifle and Revolver Club see their ad in the Detachment Newsletter, see me or attend a club meeting on the Second Tuesday of the month at 2000 (Upper range house at AGC).

Don't forget; get your registration forms and fee to me as soon as possible. Any entries received after the deadline WILL NOT be submitted.

Semper Fi and good shooting.  
Mike

## **VAVS**

Buddy Cadle

## **VA SURVIVING SPOUSE WEBSITE**



The Department of Veterans Affairs recently activated a new website aimed directly at surviving spouses of military members who died on active duty and surviving spouses of veterans who died after serving their country.

The site, at <http://www.vba.va.gov/survivors>, not only has links to the VA pages describing survivor benefits but also to other government sites that may offer valuable information and assistance. These include service relief societies, support organizations, and military service casualty assistance offices. There is also a link to Frequently Asked Questions that answers most questions.

For more specific questions, the site tells how to contact the VA directly. The main VA web site is at <http://www.va.gov/>.

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## **VAVS Releases New Public Service Announcement**

By Marty Naugher, Voluntary Service Specialist

VAVS: Generations is a new public service announcement (PSA) being distributed to all VAVS Program Managers and Public Affairs Officers.

NASCAR legend Richard "The King" Petty, a previous National Salute Chairperson, lends his image and voice to our campaign to encourage families to volunteer together. Mr. Petty is joined in the PSA by his son, Kyle.

"Like your own family, America's hospitalized veterans span generations. All share a common need — to spend time with others. That's where you come in," says Mr. Petty.

To view the PSA or to arrange for a viewing for your organization, contact your local VAVS Program Manager.



# MARINE CORPS LEAGUE ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY DETACHMENT 1049

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Event Date: May 7, 2007

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By your participation you are making a difference in the lives of the Marines who have served our country. The **“Marines helping Marines”** program goes towards assisting those who now need our help in adjusting to new life challenges.

It is only through generous donations, time and monies from many people and organizations such as yours that we can continue to support this most worthy cause. We ask that you let others know about our event and encourage them to get involved too! The more participation we have the more great things we can accomplish and do for this worthy cause!

The event (Golf Tournament) is scheduled for Monday, May 7, 2007, rain or shine. Any questions regarding registration or participation, contact the following Marines:

Gary Frye at 410-491-7153 e-mail [mellon@cablespeed.com](mailto:mellon@cablespeed.com) or Manny Airey at 410-255-9129 (home) or 410-245-7211 (cell)

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Commandant

Date

Pay Master

Date

Danny R. Fischio

Steve Salanik

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*MARINE CORPS LEAGUE  
ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY  
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