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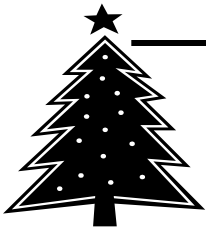
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# Semper Ji



Arlington National Cemetery

At Christmas



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## COMMANDANT'S MESSAGE

**Pete Pervi**



**MARINES, may you and your family have a very healthy and joyful holiday!**

REMEMBER: Monday 12/22 will be a short meeting followed by the Detachment Holiday Party. The Ladies Auxiliary will be joining us.

HERE IS OUR DETACHMENT CALENDAR FOR THE NEXT 6 MONTHS

DATE	DAY	START TIME	EVENT
01/02/09	Friday	1800 -2000	MCL Friday Night Dinner
01/04/09	Sunday	0900 - 1100	VFW Breakfast
01/26/09	Monday	1900	MCL Detachment 1049 General Meeting
02/01/09	Sunday	0900 - 1100	VFW Breakfast
02/08/09	Sunday	1000	Pound 204 Growl
02/12 & 02/13 & 02/14/09	Thursday Friday	See conven- tion agenda	The Marine Corps League Mid-Winter National Sta- conference & Mid-Winter Growl at F Church, Va.
02/16/09	Monday	1900	Detachment 1049 Staff Meeting
02/23/09	Monday	1900	MCL Detachment 1049 General Meeting
03/01/09	Sunday	0900 - 1100	VFW Breakfast
03/06/09	Friday	1800 -2000	MCL Friday Night Dinner
03/23/09	Monday	1900	MCL Detachment 1049 General Meeting
03/26/09	Thursday	1930	MCL Detachment 1049 Golf Planning Mtg
04/05/09	Sunday	0900 - 1100	VFW Breakfast
04/19/09	Sunday	1000	Pound 204 Growl
04/20/09	Monday	1930	Detachment 1049 Staff Meeting
04/27/09	Monday	1900	MCL Detachment 1049 General Meeting
05/03/09	Sunday	0900 - 1100	VFW Breakfast
05/04/09	Monday	0800	Detachment 1049 Marines Helping Marines Golfir Event
05/07 & 05/08 & 05/09	Thursday Friday	See conven- tion agenda	The Marine Corps League, Maryland Department Convention at Ocean City & Maryland Pack Growl
05/14/09	Thursday	1930	Detachment 1049 Staff Meeting
05/18/09	Monday	1900	MCL Detachment 1049 General Meeting
05/25/09	Monday	All day	MEMORIAL DAY
06/07/09	Sunday	0900 - 1100	VFW Breakfast
06/22/09	Monday	1900	MCL Detachment 1049 General Meeting

**Senior Vice Commandant  
James T. Brady**

I really don't have that much to say this Month (applause) as I did not have any thing to do (finally).

A simple follow up on the construction to our proposed office space. The Commander of VFW Post 160 and fellow Marine Corps League Associate (Frenchie) has been informed that the builder is in financial straights and will need to restructure the contract. This could include the VFW purchasing the material needed up front and then just pay for labor. It still looks as though it will be accomplished but is (obviously) taking longer than anyone anticipated.

This past Sunday, December 14, 2008, The VFW Post held another "Old Soldiers Day" and it was finally attended by a number of Old Soldiers including a few Old Marines who still wore there Marine covers with pride. Our Detachment members assisted in setting up and tearing down the hall and in doing so consumed a great amount of coffee with special additives for extra energy.

The Post clean up crew on Sunday morning is fully represented however the Saturday crew could use a few extra hands. The morning starts off at 0630 and they are normally done by 0745. Coffee and fellowship follows with lively discussions and a great deal of information is disseminated on all Post Organizations and events. Any and all are cordially invited in helping to keep our home clean.

Our meeting scheduled for this coming Monday December 22 will be a short one (no insult to Buddy Cadle) as it is scheduled to be our annual Holiday Party. So bring a friend and bring yourself along with "Pot Luck" food for a good time among your fellow "Marines".

To all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Semper Fidelis & Woof Woof

Sr Vice Commandant & PDD

James T. Brady



**Junior Vice Commandant**  
*Woody Bowman*



I would like to welcome the newest life member's of our detachment Scott Stevens, John Ogle and Dick Savage.

Also I like to wish a Seasons' Greetings. May this message find everyone in good health and Holiday spirits.

Happy Holidays to all, see you Monday the 22nd at the meeting so come and enjoy the holiday party with your fellow Marines and the Ladies Auxiliary will be joining us also.

Semper Fi  
 Woody

**Color Guard**  
**Woody Bowman**

On December 7th the color guard performed at the WWII memorial in Annapolis Also again at the Food Lion on Mountain Road Pasadena and Cedar Hill Cemetery.

That about all for this year I am still looking for anyone else that would like to Join us next year. If you are interested please let me or Pete know. Happy Holiday to all.

Woody.



**Public Relations**  
**Ed Dahling**



I am asking all our members to help. If you know of any business that might be interested in advertising in our newsletter please let me or Pete know.

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 <b>Established 1943</b> Garrison Rifle & Revolver Club, Inc. is a Charter Member of the Associated Gun Clubs of Baltimore Inc.	The Club offers training and classes in most of the shooting sports and promotes shooting sports for all ages and abilities. Garrison hosts the following events:	Garrison Rifle & Revolver members have the following facilities available for their use:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☛ Spring Pistol League</li> <li>☛ Bullseye Pistol Championship</li> <li>☛ Trap Shoot</li> <li>☛ JR's Club Shoot</li> <li>☛ 4H State Match</li> <li>☛ Club Crab Feast</li> <li>☛ Club Christmas Dinner</li> </ul> Affiliated with the National Rifle Association and Civilian Marksmanship Program.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☛ Covered bench rest-equipped rifle, black powder, and pistol range (25, 50, 75 &amp; 100 yds.)</li> <li>☛ Indoor air rifle range</li> <li>☛ Fifty point covered outdoor pistol range (25 &amp; 50 yds.)</li> <li>☛ Ten point covered high power rifle range (200 yds with butts)</li> <li>☛ A four field, lighted, outdoor trap range w/automatic and manual trap house</li> <li>☛ Messick Hall club house w/ kitchen &amp; restrooms.</li> <li>☛ Lower range house/meeting hall.</li> </ul>
Club meets every second Tuesday of each month: Except January which is the third Tuesday 11518 Manottsville Road Manottsville, Maryland 21104-1220	 For more information contact club secretary Brian Beverly, at (410) 437-4864 E-Mail: garrisonrsec@yahoo.com	

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## Historian Vic Halme

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

**7 December 1933:** Navy Department creates Fleet Marine Force.

**7 December 1937:** Marine Capt. Evans Carlson goes to Yen-an to observe Communist Chinese armies in action.

**7 December 1941:** Marines try to fight back when Japanese attack U.S. Pacific fleet at Pearl Harbor. Marines at Tientsin and Peking are forced to surrender.

**23 December 1941:** Japanese overwhelm garrison on Wake Island.

**28 December 1941:** Most of the 4th Marines move from Bataan to Corregidor Island in the Manila Bay. Forstress Island falls 6 may 1942

**9 December 1942:** MajGen. Alexander Vandegrift turns over command of Guadalcanal to Army.

**26 December 1943:** 1st Marine Division lands on Cape Gloucester, New Britain.

**20 December 1989:** Marines are part of force that tries to capture Panama's dictator, Manuel Antonio Noriega.

**9 December 1992:** Marines Land in Somalia to rescue foreigners.



## Legislative Jim LeGette

The Department of Veterans Affairs will be opening 31 new outpatient clinics – Community-Based Outpatient Clinics (CBOC) as of 2009/10 in 16 states. There will be two clinics in Maryland (Ft. Meade and Montgomery County) and one in Pennsylvania (Cranberry Township).

It is sadly reported that 99 Marylanders, serving in all branches of our military services have been “Killed in Theater” since January 2002. The “Theater” includes Iraq, Afghanistan and Kuwait.

The new VA secretary, under the new administration, will be presented with a list of priorities compiled by the following groups: AMVets, Disabled American Veterans, Paralyzed Veterans of America and Veterans of Foreign Wars. These groups prepare a list of issues each year for consideration by the VA

## Public Relations Ed Dahling

I hope everyone is well and enjoying this holiday season with family and friends. Although this is a busy season don't forget that Pete can still use your help with Toys for Tots.

Our next meeting is December 22nd. It will be a very short meeting with a Christmas party to follow. Everyone should bring a covered dish if possible. You know how fast food disappears when a bunch of hungry Marines around.

I hope to see all of you at the meeting. If you can't make it I would like to wish you and your family a very safe and happy holiday season and hope you can join us in the new year.

Chaplain's Corner  
Ken Rollins

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;

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**VAVS**  
**Phil Schwarzenberg**

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The deductible is also waived for veterans traveling for scheduled compensation or pension examinations.



Woof, woof Devil Dogs

Hound Dog Pound 204, Pack of Maryland, Military Order of Devil Dogs, will hold a Growl at 1000, Sunday, 21 December 2008, at the Pound Dog House, VFW Post 160, 2597 Dorsey Road, Glen Burnie, phone 410 766 9802.

We would appreciate your attendance. Bring bones!

The 2008 MODD dues expired on 31 August. There are only four delinquent Dogs for the Pound (Cohen, Guyton, Oxyer, Reis). The renewal fee is still a measly \$15.00. FYI, Pound 302 charges \$25.00 a year. Please bring your bones to the Growl and get the dues out of the way. If you pay by check, make it payable to MODD Pound 204.

The Mad Dog will be initiating some mongrels at this Growl. Sponsors ensure your mongrel is at the Dog House no later than 0800 with lots of bones.

Attached to this notice is a proposed budget for Pound 204 for calendar year 2009. I reviewed the bank transactions for the last three or four years to find where the bones come from and where they normally go. By having an approved budget, those items approved will be automatically done without the usual fanfare of trying to remember what ads to pay for, plaques to obtain, etc. Many times we have missed getting an ad because of the lack of forethought, length of time between Growls, etc. This would alleviate most of that. If you think more or less should be added or deleted from the proposed budget, be sure and attend the Growl on 21 Dec.

Woof woof,

PDD Paul E. Taylor  
Dog Robber  
Pound 204



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**Christmas Trees safety**

When purchasing an artificial tree, look for the label “ **Fire Resistant** ”

When purchasing a live tree, check for freshness. A fresh tree is green, it's needles are hard to pull from branches and when bent between your fingers, needles do not break.

When setting up a tree at home, place it away from fireplaces, radiators or portable heaters. Place the tree out of the way of traffic and do not block doorways.

Cut a few inches off the trunk of your tree to expose the fresh wood. This allows for better water absorption and will help to keep your tree from drying out and becoming a fire hazard.

Be sure to keep the stand filled with water, because heated rooms can dry live trees out rapidly.

**DID YOU KNOW?**

George Washington awarded cloth Purple Hearts. Today's medals and stamps bear his image.



**DID YOU KNOW?**

You can recycle or donate old electronics using [Earth911.com](http://Earth911.com)'s recycling locator.





## The soldiers Night Before Christmas

Twas the night before Christmas, he lived all alone, in a one bedroom house made of plaster and stone. I had come down the chimney with presents to give, and to see just who in this home did live.

I looked all about, a strange sight I did see. No tinsel, no presents, not even a tree. No stocking by mantle, just boots filled with sand, on the wall hung pictures of far distant lands

With medals and badges, awards of all kinds, a sober thought came through my mind. For this house was different, it was dark and dreary. I found the home of a soldier, once I could see clearly.

The soldier lay sleeping, silent, alone, curled up on the floor in this one bedroom home. The face was so gentle, the room in such disorder not how I pictured a United States soldier.

Was this the hero of whom I'd just read?  
Curled up on a poncho, the floor for a bed?

I realized the families that I saw this night, owed their lives to these soldiers who were willing to fight .

Soon round the world, the children would play, and grownups would celebrate a bright Christmas day.

They all enjoyed freedom each month of the year, because of the soldiers like the one lying here.

I couldn't help wonder how many lay alone, on a cold Christmas Eve in a land far from home. The very thought brought a tear to my eye, I dropped to my knees and started to cry .

The soldier awakened and I heard a rough voice, "Santa don't cry, this life is my choice; my life is my God, my Country, my Corps."

The soldier rolled over and drifted to sleep, I couldn't control it , I continued to weep I kept watch for hours, so silent and still and we both shivered from the cold night's chill.

I didn't want to leave on that cold , dark

Christmas day, all is secure."

One look at my watch, and I knew he was right.

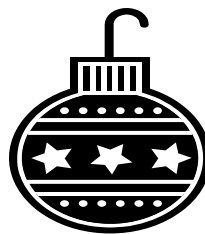
One look at my watch, and I knew he was "Merry Christmas my friend, and to good night."

## Merry Christmas Marines

A jangle, a jingle, a nod from Kris Kringle —  
Merry Christmas!

"At Christmas play and make good cheer, for Christmas comes but once a year."

Hang the stockings, trim the tree,  
And hide the fruitcake recipe! Merry Christmas!



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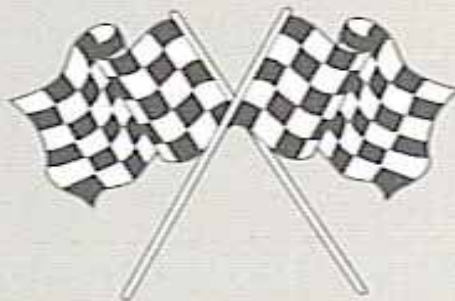
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