

# the **CUTTING EDGE**

September 2018

news for and about the members of Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049 of the Marine Corps League

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## Membership Statistics

### Good Standing (Dues Paid)

Type	USMC	Associate	Multiple
Life Member-	78	9	6
Annual Member-	28	9	—



### New Members

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### Sub-Totals

106	18	6
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### Total

130
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## Members' Birthdays

Members of our detachment, who will be celebrating birthdays during the month of September include;

Norm Huffman   Walter Johnson   Scott Mione  
 John Purcell   John Vogel   David Williams

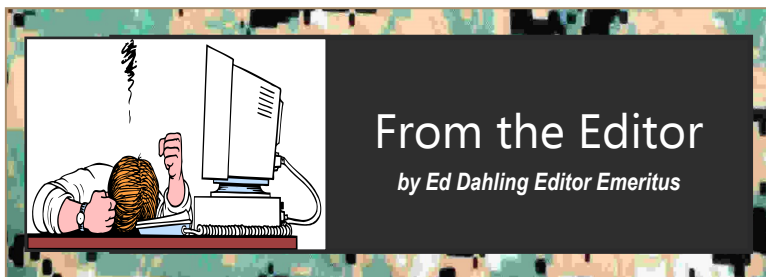
NOTE – If you were born in **September** and your name is not listed above, please contact the editor to be included in the future.

## Quotation:

“Success is a little like wrestling a gorilla. You don’t quit when you are tired... you quit when the gorilla gets tired!”

Robert Strauss Reporter,  
 Writer, Editor, TV Critic &  
 Adjunct Instructor at the  
 University of Pennsylvania





Hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable Labor Day and that the return to your normal day-to-day responsibilities has not been overly traumatic. There is a lot going on for the detachment in the coming months; so, I would like to encourage all of our members to take stock of their individual situations and consider how you might be able to contribute some amount of time and effort to the betterment of our detachment. I know that because of age, health, personal commitments, etc., some of you are not in a position to contribute time; however, in most cases, that should not keep you from coming to a the Bull & Oyster Roast, etc.

I look forward to seeing each and every one of you at the Bull & Oyster Roast on October 6 enjoying good eats and an afternoon of festivities. Tickets are available now,

You can pick them up at the VFW Post contact me at (410) 570-8673.or E-Mail me umpire86@aol.com

Semper Fi,  
Ed

The deadline for all October newsletter articles is NOON on Tuesday, October 16, 2017. Please do not wait until the last minute!



The following events are scheduled to occur through **December 2018** Unless otherwise noted, these events will take place at **VFW Post 160**, located at 2597 Dorsey Road, Glen Burnie, MD 21060 (410-766-9802).

**NOTE** — The dates and times listed below are subject to change. Please verify the information with the indicated organizational point of contact

**Monthly Meetings**, MCL Detachment 1049  
Monday, 24 September 2018 @ 1900 (Ray Sturm)

**Color Guard**, 3rd Annual MHH 5K Run and Walk Arundel Mills September 30th 2018

**September 30th** 2018 3rd Annual MHH 5K Run and Walk Arundel Mills @ 08:00 (Ray Sturm)

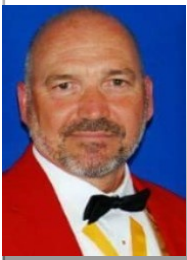
**Monthly Meetings**, MCL Detachment 1049  
Monday, 22 October 2018 @ 1900 (Ray Sturm)

**Friday Night Dinner, MCL Detachment 1049** Friday, November 2nd 2018 from 1800 – 2000 (Ray Sturm)

**The Next Department Meeting and Pack Growl** will be on 27 October at VFW Post 160 2597 Dorsey Road, Glen Burnie, MD 21060 (410-766-9802).

**December 9th** Pound 204 Growl @ 0800  
Breakfast 0900 Growl (Ray Sturm) at VFW Post 160 2597 Dorsey Road, Glen Burnie, MD 21060





## Commandant Ray Sturm

Greetings all,

. It is with great sadness that I report the passing of Frederic Kaminski. Fred was a beloved member of the detachment who served as our Chaplain until his final days. Fred would somehow acquire stock-piles of posters that he would give to every unsuspecting Marine he met. Fred surprised us all when he asked to play the Marine's Hymn on his harmonica at the conclusion of our meetings. His first attempt was a little rough, but I'm sure he went home and practiced until his wife, Charlotte, was hearing the tune in her sleep. Rest in peace, Fred. You will be missed.

Folks, it is not too late to volunteer for the Marines Helping Marines 5k Challenge. The event is on September 30th at Arundel Mills. We ask that all volunteers be there by 0600. We should be done with most volunteers by 0900. We need your help. Please let us know if you can assist.

Our annual Bull & Oyster Roast is on October 6th. This is the detachment's only fundraiser. All monies raised go to our general fund. This covers our operating costs for the year. Tickets are \$45 and are available at the VFW canteen. The Roast Coordinator, Burt Helmka, is asking members to donate a bottle of booze for a basket (or two) of cheer to be raffled off at the event. Please bring your bottles to the detachment meeting on Monday.

The Department of Maryland meeting is being hosted by our detachment on Saturday, October 27th. If you have not attended a Department meeting, this is your chance. All are welcome.



Pistol Team  
Ray Sturm



# No Report



*A Salute To  
Our Nation's  
Combat Wounded*

**National  
Purple Heart  
Day**

August 7

Here is a appropriate way to fly your American Flag at half-staff from SUNRISE to SUNSET at home and office.

## WHAT IF YOU CAN'T LOWER YOUR FLAG?



For flags that can't be lowered, such as those on many homes, the American Legion says that attaching a black ribbon or streamer to the top of the flag is an acceptable alternative. The ribbon should be the same width as a stripe on the flag and the same length as the flag.

The purchaser gets an immediate 15% off. The Detachment will get 5% of anything over \$500 spent using the coupon during the period of 9/28 to 10/25. Please cut out coupon below and take it to Modell's to receive your **15% OFF**. The process go to **Marines Helping Heroes** 5K run a walk .

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**Valid From: 9/28/2018 1 10/25/2018**



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## Corps History

by Ed Dahling for Joe Wright, Historian

### 1 September 1936

Mitchell Paige – Medal of Honor recipient for heroism during Guadalcanal campaign – enlists as a Marine in Baltimore, MD.

### 2 September 1945

Japanese officially surrendered to the Allies on board the battleship MISSOURI in Tokyo Bay. The senior Marine Corps representative at the historic ceremony was Lt. General Roy S. Geiger, CG, FMF Pacific.

### 6 September 1983

Two Marines were killed and two wounded when rockets hit their compound in Beirut, Lebanon. Heavy fighting continued for the 24th MAU peacekeeping force near the International Airport

### 8 September 1942

1st Raider Battalion and the 1st Parachute Battalion, supported by planes of MAG-23 and two destroyer transports, carried out a successful raid on a Japanese supply base on Guadalcanal.

### 10 September 1813

Marines serve with Commodore Matthew C. Perry during the Battle of Lake Erie.

### 12 September 1917

General John J. Pershing selects the 7th Marines to guard his Headquarters in France.

### 16 September 1814

A detachment of Marines under Major Daniel Carmick from the Naval Station at New Orleans, together with an Army detachment, destroyed a pirate stronghold at Baratavia, on the Island of Grande Terre, near New Orleans.

### 28 September 1900,

Marines withdrew from Peking after the Battle of Peking – the end of the Boxer Rebellion.



## Senior Vice Commandant Ben Wells



Greetings All,

The 5K race is on September 30th and we would like to see you there even it's just to support what we are doing as Marines Helping Marines.

Do not forget the bull and oyster roast on October 6th, please sell as many tickets as you can. Hope to see all of you there supporting Detachment 1049, remember this is our way of making money for the general fund.

S/F  
Ben





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## Color Guard

Color Guard Commander Woody Bowman

### – COMING EVENTS –

We have none until November

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## Marine Corps League License Plates

Marine Corps League License Plates are available for a one time fee of \$30. You continue to pay your normal registration fee at the time it is normally due.

You must be a member in good standing and either the registered owner or co-owner of the vehicle.

Contact the Department License Plate Chairman, Craig Reeling, at 443-477-0670 or [Craig.Reeling@MarylandMarines.org](mailto:Craig.Reeling@MarylandMarines.org)



## Military Order of the Devil Dogs



### Military Order of the Devil Dogs (MODD)

The Fun and Honor Society of the Marine Corps League

Woof, woof,

Another reminder that all annual-dues paying members' dues expired on 31 August. Don't be in arrears as that precludes your attending growls and holding office. Three Dogs (Brosky, Kalwa, and Karchem) who have been in arrears for over two years were dropped from the roles on 1 September. They now need to remove all MODD patches from their MCL uniforms.

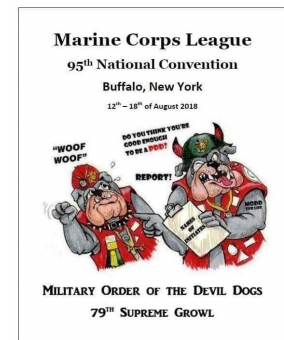
The next Pack Growl will be held following the Department of Maryland meeting on 27 October.

The next Pound Growl will be on Sunday, 9 December at our Dog House at VFW Post 160, Glen Burnie. If you haven't forwarded your dues by then, have 15 extra big bones handy.

At the August Growl, election of officers was held. Your new Pound Keeper is PDD Ben Wells. After 20 years as the Dog Robber, I have decided to step aside and let some young 67-year old or so, take over, but so far, we have not made the turnover so I am still collecting dues. Your new Dog Robber will be PDD Ed Dahling and I thank him for stepping up to take over the most important job of the Pound.

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

Woof, woof  
PDD Paul Taylor  
Dog Robber





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## Junior Vice Commandant Chris Wise

### Marines,

Please note, 31 August was agreed upon due date for all dues, however the current database defaults to 1 September as the renewal date. If you have not pay your dues at this time your membership expires.

Please Check your membership card if the expiration date is 2018 or earlier you need to send \$35.00 Today to the paymaster Ed Dahling At 493 Procopio Cir Millersville Md. 21108-1791





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## Chaplain's Corner Bill Collins



Fredric Theodore Kaminski  
March 7, 1936 ~ September 16, 2018 (age 82)

Sad to report that our longtime friend and fellow Marine Fred Kaminski passed on and reported to our 'Supreme Commandant' on Sunday September 16<sup>th</sup> 2018 at about 0815. Fred loved this country and demonstrated it through a

lifetime of patriotism, volunteer work and genuine concern for his fellow veterans. Fred actively served his community and his country in the Marine Corps League, the American Legion and the Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary. He also served as a VA Volunteer Driver and VA Support Volunteer. Fred was quiet and unassuming.

His passion was collecting and giving copies of his favorite posters to anyone that he met. Marines of our Detachment will miss Fred's unforgettable rendition of the Marine Corps Hymn played on his trusty harmonica. Fred had been fighting Parkinson's disease for several years; sadly he lost the battle and passed away in his sleep while under Hospice Care. We are all deeply saddened by the news of his passing.

Bill Collins, Chaplain  
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# Have You Heard?

by Ed Dahling Editor Emeritus

## *August 27th Meeting Highlights .....*

### **OPENING BY RITUAL:**

Meeting called to order by Commandant Ray Sturm at 1900 hours.  
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by prayer by Chaplain Bill Collins.  
Members in Attendance: 14

- Edward Dahling Department of MD Paymaster, Past Det. Commandant, Det. Marine of Year (2016)
- Joe Wright Past Detachment Commandant, Detachment Marine of the Year (2015)
- Ben Wells Detachment Marine of the Year (2017)
- Ray Sturm Detachment Marine of the Year (2018)

**APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP:** There were no applications for membership.

**READING OF THE MINUTES:** Minutes of the July meeting were distributed via e-mail and posted on the detachment website.

**PAYMASTER:** Ed Dahling gave a hardcopy report:

### **CORRESPONDANCE:**

- None

### **SENIOR VICE:**

- Please mark your calendar for the Bull & Oyster Roast on October 6, 2018. We need to get the word out as this is our largest fundraiser of the year that benefits the detachment

### **JUNIOR VICE:**

- No report.

### **JUDGE ADVOCATE:**

- No Report.

### **Chaplain REPORT:**

- The chaplain received a note from Paul Downey's family thanking the detachment for rendering Honors at his funeral.
- Manny Airey is at home and sounds good.

### **NEWSLETTER EDITOR:**

- The detachment's Cutting-Edge newsletter placed 2nd in the Marine Corps League National newsletter competition

### **QUARTERMASTER:**

No report

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# Have You Heard?

by Ed Dahling Editor Emeritus

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## **COLOR GUARD:**

No Report

## **HISTORIAN/ WEB SERGEANT:**

No Report

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

• Bull and Oyster Roast tickets are available for \$45 each. Contact Sr Vice Commandant Ben Wells for tickets or pick some up at the VFW Post 160 bar. Menu will be Pit Beef-Pit Ham-Pit Turkey- Beans-Mac & Cheese-Red Potatoes-Salads-Cole Slaw-Fried Chicken-Raw & Fried Oysters-MD Crab Soup. Looking for Door prizes.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

• Motion was made to pay a deposit of \$500 to the vendor for the beef and oysters for the Bull & Oyster Roast. Motion was voted on and approved

## **GOOD OF THE LEAGUE:**

- Marine of the Year ribbon has been approved for wear with the short sleeve uniform shirt.
- National bylaw changes passed to separate bylaws from administrative procedures.
- Toys for Tots motorcycle parade still on schedule for November 17th. Starts at American Legion Post 175 (Severna Park) and ends at American Legion Post 60 (Glen Burnie).

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- September 30th – 3rd Annual Marines Helping Heroes 5k Challenge – Need Volunteers.
- October 6th – Detachment 1049's annual Bull & Oyster Roast.
- October 27th Department meeting will be at VFW Post 160 (Our Detachment home).

## **CLOSING CEREMONIES:**

Commandant Sturm closed the meeting IAW MCL rituals. The next detachment meeting will take place on September 24, 2018. Closing prayer was given by Chaplain Bill Collins.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joseph Wright, Adjutant  
Marine Corps League - A. A. County Detachment 1049





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(Address Correction Requested)



**The Corps just slapped a counter-drone system on an MRZR all-terrain vehicle**



Marine 1st Lt. Ariel Cecil poses in front of the Light Marine Air Defense Integrated System during Theater Amphibious Combat Rehearsal 18. (Cpl. Francisco J. Diaz Jr./Marine Corps)