

THE JAWHEAD JOURNAL

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During our September business meeting we presented our members with congratulatory thank you certificates for their participation during the past year.

Every regular and associate member must pay their annual dues by August 31st each year. You can now pay with a credit/debit card by clicking [here](#).

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**Our next meeting is Monday
15 October starting at
1600 (6 PM)**

**Officer Installation
Steven's Restaurant
401 N. Riverside Dr.
NE corner Rt 21 and Washington St.
Gurnee, IL**

**Last Month's Mystery Marine was
Richard 'Smedley' Butler**



Where Stuff Is

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Who is this Mystery Marine?

COMMANDANT'S COMMENTS

Ladies and Gents, once again I sit with my laptop getting ready to compose my article for the Jarhead journal for this month. It seems like I just finished the last one. Time seems to be flying by instead of slowly creeping up on us. I have heard it said, that the older you get the faster time seems to pass. If that is the case for me it would appear that in four or five years I may be getting ready for bed when I get out of bed.

As I look out my window into the yard and the Forest Preserve, I can see a large number of Squirrels, rabbits birds, and chipmunks doing the things they need to do to get ready for winter. My yard has been a buzz of activity for a week or so now. The past couple days with the onset of cooler weather has jump-started the animals to finish their jobs before winter gets here. I guess they are all telling me something.

We have a lot of things to do in the detachment before the end of next month and a lot of you have been pitching in to get the job done. It is refreshing to see that when the time comes, we will always have people step up to aid in the assignment.

Yesterday we went to Wrigley field and presented colors at the Cubs game. When we met our greeter we were told that they were glad to see us. The Cubs really needed to win the next three to game to ensure they would be in the playoffs in a comfortable spot. They said they had even spoken with the detailer and told her that we were needed in the playoffs as well. It will remain to be seen if we get a spot or not in the upcoming games. As we were leaving we were thanked for showing up and for bringing another WIN to the Cubs.

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As I look out my window into the yard and forest preserve I can see that I am not the only one who knows that time is flying past. There are squirrels, rabbits, chipmunks, and birds all doing the finally getting a little recognition for Vets coming up. On Oct 6th several of us are going to Wheaton for a special event to honor Vietnam Era Veterans and the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War. The event will be held at Cantigny Park and Military Museum, 1S151 Winfield Road, Wheaton, Illinois. The guest speaker will be Alan Lynch, Medal of Honor recipient, and a member of our Detachment. Our color guard was asked to present colors there and we graciously accepted. We will be individually honored at the ceremony and will be allowed to view the Military Museum after the event.

It appears more and more places are deciding to have events honoring Veterans in November in our area. The color guard has been asked to present colors or do a rifle volley at several senior citizens homes I the area. We are also participating at several public events in Lindenhurst, College of Lake County, the Naval Base and the Veteran's Hospital. We got so many invites that we had to turn several down as we didn't have enough time to attend all and couldn't put together two units go. Some of you who aren't able to walk in parades or stand for long periods of time could help us fill in on some of these duties if you were so inclined. It is a shame to turn down some of these events as the people who are being honored deserve to be honored.

I am hoping that in the coming year that we can expand the Veteran's Hospital unit that visits the Vets and the Color Guard so that we can cover all the requests we get. Most are only for a short period of time and require little walking or physical exertion. Our participation means a lot to the people we serve.

I am looking forward to the upcoming installation dinner and the opportunity to serve as your Commandant for another year, This is not something I take lightly and will do my best to do the best job I can. I will still need the help of all of you to get the job done but I am confident that we will get the job done to continue to make this Detachment the Best Damn Detachment in the Nation. If there is anything I can do for any of you just call or contact me.

Jerry Pedrin

Commandant 847-687-6663

Sr. Vice Commandant's Message

TOYS FOR TOTS COLLECTION SCHEDULE

October 6, 2018 – Antioch Jewel, 966 IL-59, Antioch

October 13, 2018 – Gurnee Jewel, 6905 W. Grand Ave, Gurnee

October 20, 2018 - Grayslake Jewel, 885 E. Belvidere Rd. Grayslake

October 27, 2018 - Round Lake Beach Jewel, 900 E. Rollins Rd, Round Lake Beach

November 3, 2018 - Highland Park Jewel, 1600 Deerfield Rd, Highland Park

November 10, 2018 – Libertyville Jewel, 1300 S. Milwaukee Ave, Libertyville

November 17, 2018 – Mundelein Jewel, 1501 S. Lake St, Mundelein

November 24, 2018 – Waukegan Jewel, 3124 N. Lewis Ave, Waukegan

December 1, 2018 – TBD, December 8, 2018 – TBD, December 15, 2018 – TBD

Jr. Vice Commandant's Comments on Membership Hey Marines!!!! Pay Attention..this is IMPORTANT

Your response has not been your best performance. We need all of you regular members to pay your dues. Everyone who is not a Life member **MUST** pay their dues during August each year.

The easiest way to pay your dues is to either mail us a check for \$35 to:

Lake County Det 801 Marine Corps League
P.O. Box 7732, Gurnee IL 60031 or

Put your mouse cursor on the word [**DUES**](#) click and use your credit card.



Contact Al Blut, Quartermaster, if you are interested in purchasing a jacket similar to the ones pictured here. Prices may increase from last year when we paid \$115 to \$150 based on size. Unfortunately, there are no returns. Talk with other members to determine what size fits you.

Call Al at (847) 587-3757



CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

September, the month we say “goodbye” to another summer season, and “hello” to the Fall. Some look forward to the changing color of the leaves, other look ahead to the coming holiday season, a time of sharing with family and friends. Others dread the coming of the cold and snow.

There are no “bad” seasons; they are what we make of them. Of course, some seasons are tougher on us than others. Cold weather can have serious consequences on the elderly; the shorter days can cause depression, and sometimes it feels as if winter will never end.

No matter what the season, what the challenge, there is one constant, our God is in charge! NO WORRIES!

With that in mind, lets not be bashful, lets welcome in this “new “ season and all future seasons because they are all a gift from God!

Our job is to enjoy these gifts and help others do likewise. Life’s too short, not to spend every minute enjoying it.

We will be kicking off the toys for tots fundraising season, a great opportunity and time, not only to insure that every child gets a toy for Christmas, but also share a special time with our fellow marines.

So marines, lets embrace the changes coming our way, lets be participants, not spectators! Let’s worship our God and serve our brothers and sisters.

REMEMBER DREAM FEARLESSLY, AND LIVE BOLDLY!

Semper Fi.

Hank Landrau,
Chaplain

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE LAKE COUNTY DETACHMENT 801



and

then

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said:

Hello once more to my Marine brothers and sisters of the Best Damned Detachment in the Nation.

Not sure how many of you were in attendance to our monthly business meeting some time ago when one of our members (Duane Dillard) addressed the assemblage to explain that his son had been involved in a major motorcycle accident resulting in severe debilitating injuries requiring extensive rehabilitation at a Chicago facility.

Duane has temporarily re-located from his home in Maryland to here in Winthrop Harbor to be near his son during this most emotional time.

A benefit was held Saturday, September 29th at FatMan's Pub / Gurnee to raise funds to assist family during this recovery period.

I was unable to attend this event due to several other commitments, and investigated making a donation directly through the "Go-Fund-Me" website.

Click on this link that's underlined to be taken to the ["Go-Fund-Me" website](#) for Duane Dillard. After you click on 'Donate Now', enter the amount and look below that box for a suggestion for a 'tip'. Click on the dropdown and choose 'other' entering \$0.00 if that's your choice. Then your name, address and credit card info.

You can also send a personal check to Duane at:

Duane Dillard
1300 Park Avenue
Winthrop Harbor, Illinois
60096

In the interim, I will hope and pray for his son's recovery.

SEMPER FIDELIS MARINES!

'SMEDLEY'

**Here are links for the USMC
243rd Birthday Balls being held in
the Chicago Area**

[Recruiting Station Chicago November 3rd](#)

[MACG 48 November 9th](#)

[3rd Civil Affairs Group November 10th](#)

[MCL McHenry Detachment November 10th](#)

[2nd Bn 24th Marines November 17th](#)

and

Lake County Detachment 801 November 9th

**Tiki Bar
3500 Sunset Avenue
Waukegan**

Our traditional party starts at 1800

CAPTAIN JAMES A. LOVELL FHCC VISITS



VA HOSPITAL VISITATION TEAM

We visited the hospital on Thursday, September 27th with smiles on our faces and joy in our hearts. We visited patients and passed out some lanyards patients. Warren and I are getting together to set up for the Marine Corps Birthday at the VA. The party will be at 1300 on the 8th of November with cake and cupcakes. Anyone interested in joining us with the vets are welcome. The building location WBD and I will let everyone know when it is set up.

Semper Fi.

Greg Cummings (847) 212-5454



COLOR & HONOR GUARD



The two time State Champion Color Guard, representing the “the Best Damn Detachment in the Nation”, Det. 801 continues to keep an active schedule of Events.

9/11 We presented Colors for the One Hope Unite Golf Outing Fund Raiser held at Glen Flora C.C. in Waukegan. It was a challenge trying to march single file around tightly packed round tables but we improvised, adapted and got her done. Cornish hen made for a super diner.

We have the following events scheduled:

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| 10/6 Viet Nam War Era (1955-1975) Veterans Awards
Cantigny Park
1S151 Winfield Road
Wheaton, IL.
Al Lynch- Keynote speaker - Present Colors | 10/7 Honor Flight Return
North Chicago War Memorial
4:30pm - Present Colors |
| 11/9 VA Hospital
Burke Hall
USMC Birthday/ Vets Day
11:00am - Present Colors | 11/11 Lindenhurst War Memorial
Veteran's Day
11:00am - Fire Volley |
| 11/11 Lake County Beauty Pageant College of Lake County
1:30pm - Escort Ladies and Present Colors | |

Al Seyler - Commander 847-220-1525



EAGLE SCOUT'S



We continue to look for new members for our presentation team.

Call Mel Ellingsen 847-274-8144

September and Future Presentations

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| Sep 8 | Daniel Nathan Koenemann, Troop 198, 1:00 PM, St. Andrew Lutheran Church, 10 S. Lake St. Mundelein |
| Sep 9 | Sean Ivan Coughlan, Troop 46, 3:00 PM, Lake Forest Historical Society |
| Sep 23 | Brandon Alexander Nitto, Troop 96, noon, St. Gilberts multipurpose room 231 E. Belvidere Rd. Grayslake |
| Nov 24 | Pliny Jason Smith, Troop 46, 12:30 PM, First Presbyterian Church of Lake Forest 700 Sheridan Rd, |
| Nov 24 | Samuel and Oliver Pasquesi, Troop 42, 3 PM, Grace United Methodist Church 244 E. Center Ave., Lake Bluff. |
| Nov 25 | Riley Menges, Troop 188, 1:00 PM Antioch Township Center 1625 Deep Lake Rd, Lake Villa |
| Dec 2 | 5 Eagles TBD, Troop 42, 3:00 PM |

**Lake County Detachment Marine Corps League Foundation, Inc
Officers**

President-	Al Seyler
Treasurer-	Mel Ellingsen
Secretary-	Jerry Pedrin

Directors
Jim Sroka, Richard Butler, Ed Mampe, Warren Blacklock and Joe Wallace.

FOUNDATION

At the last meeting of the Board of Directors a discussion was held concerning the number of board members being 8. It was felt that an odd number was more appropriate in eliminating the potential of tie votes.

The Board voted 8-0 to recommended changing the by-laws from 8 members to 9.

We approached the Judge Advocate, Peter Karlovics, and he prepared the Amendment. All requirements of the by-laws for making an Amendment were followed. We placed the Amendment before the Detachment for approval. It was approved the Detachment's meeting held on September 17, 2018.

Al Seyler President - 847-220-1525

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE LAKE COUNTY DETACHMENT 801

DETACHMENT LIBRARY - Smedley Richard Butler is our Librarian

AUTHOR	TITLE	DESCRIPTION
ALEXANDER, COL. JOSEPH H. USMC (RET.)	A FELLOWSHIP OF VALOR	Battle history of the U.S. Marines
BEVILACQUA, ALLEN C.	THE WAY IT WAS	Humor: About Marines by Marines
BRADY, JAMES	WHY MARINES FIGHT	Story of a country at war as seen through the eyes of it's warriors
BROKAW, TOM	THE GREATEST GENERATION SPEAKS	Letters written back and forth from the front
BRYANT & STREBE	DESERT DOGS	Marines of Operation Iraqi Freedom
BUEKHOLSWE, FERNER & LeFENDRE, WALTER	FRIENDS MADE; MOMENTS SHARED; MEMORIES FOR LIFE	Oral History of US Marine Corps Scout bombing Squadron VMSB-343
CHAMBERS II, JOHN WHITECLAY	AMERICAN MILITARY HISTORY	Goldmine of information on American military history using battles and soldiers
CLARK, CMDR EUGENE FRANKLIN, USN	THE SECRETS OF INCHON	Most daring covert mission of the Korean War
COHEN, AARON	BROTHERHOOD OF WARRIORS	Behind enemy lines with one of the world's most elite counter-terrorism units
CAWFORD, STEVE	THE U.S. MARINE CORPS IN WWII	Photos and the stories behind them
CHENOWITH, COL. H. AVERY, USMCR(Ret.) with COL. BROOKE NIHART, USMC (Ret.)	SEMPER FI	The Definitive Illustrated History of the U.S. Marines
CRUMLEY, B. L.	THE MARINE CORPS, THREE CENTURIES OF GLORY (paperback)	Thorough, authoritative history of the Marine Corps since its formation
CRUMLEY, B. L.	THE MARINE CORPS, THREE CENTURIES OF GLORY (hardcover)	Thorough, authoritative history of the Marine Corps since its formation
DAVIS, KENNETH S.	SOLDIER OF DEMOCRACY	First hand account of Gen. Eisenhower from early years in Texas through WWII
de ST. JORRE, JOHN	THE MARINES	Photographic look at character and nature of the Marines
DIETRICH, WILLIAM	HADRIAN'S WALL	Novel of Roman England
DRURY, BOB & CLAVIN, TOM	LAST STAND OF FOX COMPANY	True story of US Marines in combat
FORTY, GEORGE	US MARINE CORPS HANDBOOK 1941-45	Archived photos: a complete portrait of leaders, grunts, equipment, etc. of the Marine CORPS
HALLAS, JAMES H.	KILLING GROUND ON OKINAWA	The battle for Sugar Loaf Hill
HAMEL, ERIC	CHOSIN	Heroic ordeal of the Korean War
HERSEY, JOHN	INTO THE VALLEY	Deeds of one company of marines during one small battle on Guadalcanal
HOFFMAN, LT.COL. JON T.	CHESTY	Story of Lt.Gen. Lewis B. Puller, USMC

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KAPLAN, ROBERT D.	IMPERIAL GRUNTS	Insider's account of world affairs and American Imperialism today
LaPIERRE, WAYNE	GUNS, CRIME, AND FREEDOM	A true debate about gun control
LAWLISS, CHUCK	THE MARINE BOOK	Portrait of America's military elite
LOWRY, RICHARD S.	MARINES IN THE GARDEN OF EDEN	True story of 7 bloody days in Iraq
MARINE CORPS ASSOCIATION	USMC A COMPLETE HISTORY	History of USMC
MARINE CORPS HERITAGE FOUNDATION	THE MARINES	Chronology of Marine Corps
MARINE CORPS LEAGUE	MEMBER ALBUM 2015	All 2015 Members
MORISON, SAMUEL ELIOT	THE STRUGGLE FOR GUADALCANAL	History of U.S. Naval operations in WWII
NORTH, OLIVER	WAR STORIES II	Stories of heroism in the Pacific
O'REILLY, BILL	KILLING PATTON	Strange death of General Patton
PANTANO, ILARIO	WARLORD	Tough, gritty saga of war
SCALIA, ANTONIN	A MATTER OF INTERPRETATION	How the law can be interpreted or misinterpreted
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SIDES, HAMPTON	GHOST SOLDIERS	Grand account of one of the most daring exploits of WWII: 30 mile march to rescue 513 POW's
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SPECTOR, RONALD H.	AFTER TET	The bloodiest year of the Vietnam war
TUCKER, MIKE	RONIN/A MARINE SCOUT-SNIPER PLATOON IN IRAQ	
WILCOX, ROBERT K.	TARGET: PATTON	A plot to assassinate Gen. George S. Patton
WUKOVITS, JOHN	ONE SQUARE MILE OF HELL	The battle for Tarawa

Related Military Links

US Department of Veterans Affairs

Lake County Veterans Assistance Commission

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Marine Corps League Headquarters

Honor Flight Lake County

Illinois Marine

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