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OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11TH AT 1930

COMMANDANT'S COLUMN

Marines,

We had a great meeting on the 15th followed by a very exciting Department Membership Meeting at Fort Indiantown Gap on the 17th. I would like to see more members at both meetings. If you haven't been to a Detachment meeting in a while you really need to come check it out, we have a great time and it is followed by great food. The Department has several things coming up; the 13th and 14th of April is the NE Division Conference, the Department Leadership Academy is April 21st, on May 17th-19th the National Youth Physical Fitness Meet and June 8th-9th is the Department Pistol Match.



The NE Division Conference will be held at the Holiday Inn in Binghamton NY this year. If interested, go to the Northeast Division website for more information. The Leadership Academy will be held at our Department HQ Building and it is our initial class so it will be limited to about 30 Members. So, if you want to get in on this class let me know a.s.a.p. The National Youth Physical Fitness Meet will be held at Ft. Indiantown Gap this year and while it is hosted by the U.S. Marine Youth Foundation, the Department has been tasked to assist with volunteers. If you are available please let me know a.s.a.p. as you will have to get PA's youth volunteer clearance. And finally the Department Pistol Match will be held at the Fort Indiantown Pistol Ranges. Again contact me if you are interested, we have weapons to shoot so if you want to come out with us. That's all for now see you at the installation in April.

Semper Fi,

Joe Kier, Commandant



MCL Schedule

**NATIONAL NORTHEAST
DIVISION CONFERENCE
13-14 APRIL, 2018
HOLIDAY INN
2-8 HAWLEY ST.
BINGHAMTON, NY 13901**

**DETACHEMENT ANNUAL
FUNDRAISER
27-27 MAY 2018
STATE STORE
132 VETERANS LANE
DOYLESTOWN, PA**

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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

BY CHAPLAIN DANA LORTIE

It has been my pleasure to bring you "Chaplain's Corner" for the past four plus years. My count on the computer tells me that this is around the 52nd issue of this hopefully inspiring writing.

Next month a new Chaplain will take over for Detachment 636. He is Dana Lortie. Dana is an Ordained Minister. At our last meeting Dana agreed to continue writing Chaplain's Corner. Dana wants to keep God in the Marine Corps.

At this time in history many people have given up on the idea that God exists. They are very wrong. The Creator of the Universe and of the Marine Corps is continuing to carry out His promise to all of us. His promise is very simple, if we believe in Him, we will have everlasting life.

Many question why the world is so dangerous and why do so many bad things happen? On a more personal level we ask why bad things happen to us? The world is dangerous because we got evicted from Eden. We had an easy life in Eden, but Adam and Eve ate the forbidden fruit and our easy life ended with sin.

God also tests us as He tested Job. If He will test a faithful servant like Job, then He will test you and me. As Job stated, "Shall we accept good from God, and not trouble?" Remember that God assured victory for us over our sin and over death by sending His Son to die on a Cross in our place.

With Chaplain Dana, we will keep God in the Marine Corps!

Semper Fi, and God Bless America!

Sam DiValentino

Chaplain

The regular meeting of Central Bucks Detachment #636, Inc., of the Marine Corps League of Pennsylvania, Inc., was held March 15, 2018 at the Albert R. Atkinson American Legion Post, 315 North St., Doylestown, PA. There were 11 members including all officers except Sr. Vice Haqq, and Adjutant/Paymaster Jim Powell, PDC who were excused. Distinguished members in attendance included **Past Commandants Bob Sundling, Don Parzanese Sr., Bill McBride, Bill Miller, and Joe Kier.** Other Distinguished members recognized were; **Department of PA Jr. Vice Commandant Joe Kier, and Department Sergeant at Arms Bob Sundling.** The **2018 Detachment Marine of the Year Bill McBride, PC** was recognized.

New Members: none

The **Minutes** of the February Meeting as published in Listen Up! was adopted.

Temporary Paymaster Joe Kier, PC presented the Paymaster's financial report for February and it was adopted.

Sick and distressed: Suzanne Pearce is having some financial issues. Due to Budd's short time in the VA system she does not get his full benefits and she is not old enough to collect SSI yet. She is trying to supplement her income by cleaning houses again. Pat Parzanese, is in pain after her hip replacement surgery and is going in for an MRI of her lumbar area.

OFFICER REPORTS

Commandant Joe Kier Reported on the upcoming Pack Growl and Dept. Membership meeting Friday and Saturday and reminded everyone that the invitation to come out is always open.

Sr. Vice Commandant Thaky Haqq excused, no report

Junior Vice Commandant Bill McBride, PC. Reported that we are having a Birthday Ball on Nov. 10th, no other information is available yet. The Trailer is secure and doing fine under cover, and the Highway Cleanup will be set at the next meeting.

Temp. Adjutant Joe Kier, PC. No report

Judge Advocate Sam DiValentino No report

Chaplain Sam DiValentino No Report

Sergeant-at-Arms Bob Sundling, PC No report

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Shooting: the dates for the department shooting matches will be released this weekend.

Fundraising: the Dept. cookbooks are in and ready to sell at \$10 each.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nominations and Elections were restarted as Jr. Past Don Parzanese Sr, PC was unable to officiate. Bill Miller, PC took over as Nomination and election official.

MONTHLY DETACHMENT MEETING CONTINUED

MINUTES

Bill Miller, PC proceeded to hold the nominations followed by the elections. All positions were filled unopposed. Don Parzanese Sr. cast one vote for all positions in favor. The 2018 slate of officers is as follows:

Commandant Joe Kier, PC

Sr Vice Commandant Sam DiValentino

Jr Vice Commandant Bill McBride, PC

Judge Advocate Bobby M. Sundling

Paymaster James Powell, PDC

These members agreed to fill the following appointed positions;

Chaplain Dana Lortie

Sgt at Arms Robert A. Sundling, PC

Adjutant James Powell, PDC

NEW BUSINESS

A Motion was made by Sam DiValentino and seconded by **Bill Miller, PC** to give Suzanne Pearce a check for \$1000.00. Motion passed in favor to give Suzanna Pearce a check for \$1000.00.

Bill Miller, PC made a motion to submit Joe Kier for consideration for Department Marine of the Year. It was seconded by Sam DiValentino and the motion passed.

GOOD OF THE LEAGUE

We got Thank You cards from Bob Leimer's family.

Sam DiValentino asked the new Chaplain Dana Lortie to continue with Chaplains Corner.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned until 1930 on Wednesday, April 11, 2018.



DETACHMENT CALENDAR

APRIL 2018

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
						1 Easter Sunday Passover April Fool's Day
2	3 Detachment Breakfast 0930 at Perkins Doylestown, PA	4	5	6 Good Friday	7 Last day of Passover National Beer Day	8
9	10	11 Detachment Meeting 1930 American Legion Post 210 Doylestown, PA	12	13 Thomas Jefferson's Birthday	14	15
16	17 Tax Day	18	19	20	21	22
23/30	24	25	26 Take our Daughters and Sons to Work Day	27	28	29

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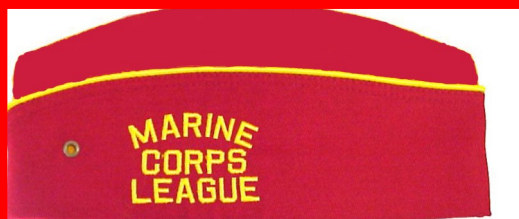
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DETACHMENT COVER

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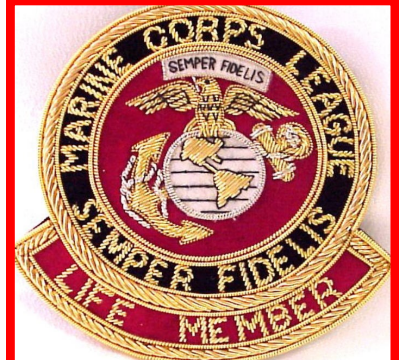
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Application for Membership—Marine Corps League

Full Name _____ Phone _____

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Date of Enlistment/Commissioning _____ Date of Discharge/Retirement/Separation _____

Type of Application – New () Renewal () Membership Type -- Regular () Associate () Dual ()

Have you ever been convicted of a felony? YES () NO () If YES is checked, I agree to waive my rights under the Privacy Act and disclose the nature of the felony conviction for consideration of membership in the Marine Corps League.

I hereby apply for membership in the _____ Detachment, Marine Corps League and enclose \$ _____ for one year's membership.

Further, 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 ninety (90) days and earned the Eagle, Globe and Anchor, * 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 ninety (90) days and earned the Marine Corps Device or Warfare Device worn on the Service Ribbon authorized for FMF Corpsmen. If discharged, I am in receipt of a DD Form 214 or a Certificate of Discharge indicating "Honorable Service". ("Honorable Service" will be defined by the last DD Form 214 or Certificate of Discharge that the applicant received). *General Discharge under Honorable Conditions is acceptable.* By signature on this application, I hereby agree to provide proof of honorable service/discharge upon request. I hereby authorize the National Executive Director, Marine Corps League to obtain an un-redacted copy of my latest DD Form 214 from the Marine Corps custodian of Official Military Personnel Files (OMPF), and/or verification of honorable service if deemed necessary to verify my eligibility for regular membership in the Marine Corps League. I understand the DD Form 214 may contain information such as military awards, training, and character of service. * ("Korean War Era Marines See National Bylaws, Article 6, Section 600")

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