



"ONCE A MARINE ALWAYS A MARINE"

COMMANDANT - Fran Meyers

LISTEN UP!

Central Bucks Detachment

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NEWSLETTER

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THE CHANGING OF THE GUARD

At the last Detachment meeting, the new Commandant and all other officers for 1991 were officially elected by the members. The new officers are:

Commandant	-	Fran Meyers
Senior Vice Cmdt.	-	Bill Haas
Jr. Vice Cmdt.	-	Walt Schaffer
Judge Advocate	-	Marlin Miller
Paymaster	-	Jim Markstein

Appointed Positions:

Sergeant-At-Arms	-	Bob Sundling
Adjutant	-	Ray Krout
Chaplain	-	Frank Yohe

Congratulations to all of you.

As for our former Commandant, Don Parzanese, who put in two hitches at the helm, we extend our sincere gratitude and thanks for a job well done. Don accepted the Commandant's job at a time when our Detachment desperately needed a stabilizing influence, and he provided this catalyst. Under his guidance we have started to "shape up" into the type of Detachment that can be proud of the things they accomplish. Thanks again, Don, for being at the right place and time for us.

The other major force in our Detachment's advancement was our Jr. Vice, Mike Waldron, who, like Don Parzanese, served two hitches. Mike worked tirelessly to make arrangements for our social activities; bus trips to Atlantic City, a weekend in Quantico, which included the Evening Parade at Eighth and I, and two very successful Memorial Day parades. He made all the arrangements for the period uniforms used in last year's parade, including pick-up and return to Quantico. However, probably two of the high points for Mike were the First Anniversary Dinner Dance in 1988 and the Birthday Ball in 1989. He personally put so much time and effort into these two events that they were both an outstanding success. I think Mike really enjoyed being our "Social Director" as much as we enjoyed having him serve in that capacity.

Both Don and Mike will still be around and will be available for advice whenever the need arises. Once again, a "twenty-one gun salute" to both of you.

With the start of a new command, I'm sure that everyone will do whatever is necessary to provide the support needed to keep moving forward for the good of the Detachment and the League,

NOTES FROM THE DETACHMENT MARCH MEETING.....

An application for an Associate Membership for Leo McQue was presented. Motion was made and seconded, to accept.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Frank Yoke reported that his wife has gotten a clean bill of health from the doctor. Great news!

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

Our Detachment will participate in the Memorial Day Parade on May 29th. Balloons, with a Marine logo, will be passed out, along the parade route.

WASHINGTON BUS TRIP

Mike Waldron has tickets (100 reservations) for the bus trip to the Marine Barracks in Washington, D.C. on 21 June 1991. Activities will include a buffet dinner, the Evening Parade, the Marine Drum and Bugle Corps, the Marine Silent Drill Team, and other optional activities.

DETACHMENT BIRTHDAY BALL

The Marine Corps Birthday Ball for the Central Bucks Detachment will be held on Saturday, November 9, 1991, at the Doylestown Moose. More on that later.

NATIONAL CONVENTION

Don't forget the 68th Annual National Marine Corps League Convention that is being held this year at the Holiday Inn, King of Prussia, August 4 thru 9, 1991. See attachment in this Newsletter for more information.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

The official installation of our new Officers will be at the April meeting. If you have a MCL blazer and black pants, please wear them; however, if you don't have any official uniform, come anyway. We would like to have a nice turnout.

GENUARDI TAPES

Don't forget to turn in any cash register receipts from Genuardi's Supermarket that you can get your hands on. We get a 1% refund - that's easy money.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 1991 (2000 HOURS), AT THE AMERICAN LEGION HALL, IN DOYLESTOWN.

WHILE I WAS in Army basic training at Fort Jackson, S.C., our company commander put us through weekly inspections. We all failed the first inspection—except one trainee whose weapon was exceptionally clean. He was asked who had taught him to clean a weapon so well. "My brother did, sir," was his answer.

"Was he in the Army?" our commander asked.

"No, sir!" replied the trainee. "He was a Marine, sir!"

—Contributed by Mitchell Lee Sorrell

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MG Gerald T. Sajer - The Adjutant General

Joseph R. Clelan, Director - Bureau for Veterans Affairs

VETERANS' HOMES - The entire Hollidaysburg Veterans' Home air conditioning project is completed and admissions to the Home for the out of service beds began in January 1991.

Construction at Sommer Hall, Hollidaysburg Veterans' Home, adding 148 nursing care beds is 50% completed as work on the building continues.

The temporary auxiliary boilers have been installed and are operating at Pennsylvania Soldiers' and Sailors' Home. New boiler plant building shell is completed and awaiting delivery of boilers to be installed.

The beautification project of the cemetery at Pennsylvania Soldiers' and Sailors' Home continues as the fence surrounding the cemetery is installed and shrubbery along the fence line will be planted in the spring of this year.

Renovation of Horizon Hall at Southeastern Pennsylvania Center continues which is 56% completed and will add 192 nursing care beds at the facility.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's fourth veterans home - the Northeastern Pennsylvania Veterans' Center, Scranton, PA will be constructed on the site of the old Scranton State Hospital. The new facility will have 184 nursing care and 16 domiciliary care beds at a cost of \$16.3 million and the estimated completion date is December 1992. Contracts have been awarded for construction, beginning with spring of 1991.

The Site Selection Committee for the fifth veterans' home to be located in southwestern Pennsylvania have forwarded their recommendations for site location to Governor Robert P. Casey for location decision.

The site location committee for the sixth veterans' home in southeastern Pennsylvania have forwarded their site recommendations to Governor Robert P. Casey for location decision.

The adult day care program at Hollidaysburg Veterans' Home is admitting veterans into a pilot program. If you know of a veteran who lives in the area of the facility and is in need of this service, please contact the Hollidaysburg Veterans' Home at telephone 814-696-5201.

Pursuant to the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1987 (OBRA 87). Our Nurse Aides at the three State Veterans' Homes are being certified as competent to care for the elderly and also registered with the Commonwealth.

If you know of any veteran interested in becoming a resident of a veterans' home, please have them contact one of the Homes at the following telephone numbers:

Hollidaysburg Veterans' Home	814-696-5201
PA Soldiers' & Sailors' Home	814-871-4531
Southeastern PA Veterans' Center	215-948-2400 (or)
Veterans' Affairs, Fort Indiantown Gap	717-865-8906

More than 420 years of history are on display at the Parris Island Museum.

The tour through time begins in 1566 with the first Spanish settlement on Parris Island and continues through the island's purchase by the Navy to serve as a naval yard and its eventual transfer to the Marine Corps to serve as a recruit depot. The museum also provides an overview look of today's recruit training program and the history of the Marine Corps since its birth on Nov. 10, 1775.

"The exhibits are designed to reach out to the people," says Dr. Stephen Wise, museum curator.

As visitors enter the two-story building and walk into the rotundra area, they are introduced to uniforms and weapons worn and used by the Marine Corps at Parris Island. Each display, such as the Civil War exhibit, has a brief description about that period of Parris Island history.

Numerous photographs are posted on the walls. The pictures show Parris Island in the 1880s as a navy shipyard, and later, as the Marine Corps Recruit Depot.

Centered in the rotundra in a miniature statue of the Mount Suribachi flag raising on Iwo Jima. The miniature was done by Felix DeWeldon, sculptor of the larger one that stands proudly in Arlington, Va.

Through the door on the right, the cycle of recruit training unfolds to the visitor. The boot camp story is told through a series of color photographs, narrations, exhibits and dioramas.

On the opposite side, visitors are introduced to the history of Parris Island and Port Royal region long before the Navy or Marine Corps existed.

"We want to tell the history of Parris Island to people," explains Wise. "Parris Island has a unique history and is a nationally and internationally known site in the world. More than 50,000 people visit the museum yearly."

Continued on the second floor are displays on the Marines and Parris Island from 1942 to the present time.

Another exhibit put together by the museum staff is located on the right side on the second floor. It gives visitors a close and sometimes personal look at the campaigns of World Wars I and II and the Korean and Vietnam wars. Many of the artifacts on display were donated by former Marines or their families.

Also on the second floor is a theater, where visitors can watch videos and slide shows that tell more of the Parris Island story.

"In this museum, we allow the artifacts, uniforms and photos to tell the story of the different eras and to capture the visitor's interest in history," says Wise.

The museum is open from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Wednesday and Friday through Sunday and from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday. Admission is free.

TAKE A BUS TRIP TO MARINE BARRACKS, WASHINGTON, D.C. WITH THE CENTRAL BUCKS DETACHMENT, ON 21 JUNE 1991 TO SEE AND ENJOY THE EVENING PARADE, WITH UNITED STATES MARINE BAND, THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS DRUM AND BUGLE CORPS, THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS SILENT DRILL TEAM.

THE PACKAGE INCLUDES

ROUNDTrip MOTERCOACH TRANSPORTATION
BUFFET DINNER AT THE CHIEF'S CLUB NAVY YARD, WASHINGTON, D.C.
CHECK OUT SOME OF THE MUSEUMS OF THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION ON THE MALL, WASHINGTON MONUMENT, THE CAPITAL, LINCOLN MEMORIAL, VIETNAM MEMORIAL, ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY, NAVY MEMORIAL, MARINE CORPS MEMORIAL, AND MORE AT YOUR PLEASURE.

ALL FOR ONLY \$ 35.00 PER PERSON

THE BUS WILL LEAVE FROM DOYLESTOWN, PA. AREA, 8:00 A.M.

LEAVE FROM WASHINGTON, D.C. AT 12:00 MIDNIGHT.

RESERVATION \$ 20.00 PER PERSON BY 4 MAY 1991
FINAL PAYMENT IS DUE 20 JUNE 1991

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

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Marine Corps League & Auxiliary 1991 National Convention Schedule King of Prussia, Pennsylvania

Date	Time	Event			
Saturday August 3	TBA	Hospitality room			
Sunday August 4	1200-1700 1800- 1800- 1900-2300	Registration MCL and MCLA MCL Board of Trustees meeting MCLA National Staff meeting Early Bird reception	Thursday August 8	0830-1600 0900-1630 1200-1315 1900-2000 2000-2100 2030-2330 2100-2330	Registration MCL & MCLA MCL & MCLA Business meeting Luncheon PNC's, PNP's, Devil Dogs, Fleas Joint memorial service MCLA P.P. meeting Supreme Growl Flea Scratch
Monday August 5	0800-1630 0900-0945 1000-1700 1200-1315 1700-0100 1930-	Registration MCL and MCLA Joint opening session MCL & MCLA— guests MCL & MCLA Business meeting Lunch Atlantic City Casino Night at the races, Holiday Inn Atrium	Friday August 9	0800-1200 1200- 0900-1200 1200-1300 1300-1600 1600- 1800-1900 1900-	Registration MCL & MCLA All registration closes MCL & MCLA Business meeting Lunch MCL & MCLA Business meeting and elections. Recess for Banquet Reception Dinner, installations, awards, guest speaker
Tuesday August 6	0800-1600 0900-1200 1200-1300 0900-1600 1300-1500 1500-1630 1830-2300	Registration MCL & MCLA MCL & MCLA Business meeting Lunch Lancaster, Dutch Country Tour VAVS Display and workshop Chapel of Four Chaplains Service- Atrium Lily Langtry's Dinner Theatre	Saturday August 10	0900-1100 0900-1100	MCL National Board of Trustees meeting MCLA National Staff meeting hotel check out
Wednesday August 7	0900-1700 0900-1800 0930-1930	Bus tour of Historic Phila. Valley Forge Bus tour Brandywine River Museum, Longwood Gardens Atlantic City Casino			Subject to change by the National Commandant



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Temporary Membership Card and Receipt
This will certify that:

_____ is a member in good standing of the

_____ This card is good for a period of sixty days from

Sponsor's Signature

Amount



Application for Membership Marine Corps League

(Date) _____

Name _____

Street _____ # _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Date of Birth _____ Date of Enlistment/Commissioning _____

Date of Discharge/Separation/Retirement _____ SSN# _____

Type of Application—New () Renewal () Phone () _____

[] I hereby apply for membership in the **CENTRAL BUCKS** Detachment, Marine Corps League, and enclose \$ **30.00** for one year's membership.*

—OR—

[] I hereby apply for membership in the Marine Corps League as a Member-at-large (MAL), and enclose \$25.00 for one year's membership.*

*Includes subscription to MARINE CORPS LEAGUE MAGAZINE

I hereby certify that I have served as a U.S. Marine for more than 90 days, that the character of my service has been honorable, and if discharged, I am in receipt of an honorable discharge. By signature on this application, I hereby agree to provide proof of honorable discharge/service upon request.

(Sponsor—where applicable) _____

(Applicant's signature) _____

Upon completion, turn into your Detachment sponsor with required payment. Applicants for MAL Membership, remit this form with check or money order in the amount of \$25.00 to: National Headquarters, Marine Corps League, P.O. Box 3070, Mernfield, VA 22116.

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