

LISTEN UP !



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OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON AUGUST 9TH AT 1930

COMMANDANT'S COLUMN

Marines,

We had a great meeting in July, if you missed try not to miss another, we are having food after and having some great conversation too. We are looking for a few appointed positions to be filled we still need an Adjutant, Mess Sgt., public relations officer and a quartermaster any of these positions are a great way to get more involved in the Detachment and the League let me know if you are interested.



Coming up in August we have PDC Jim Powell, and Bill Miller, PC. Attending the National convention in Overland Park Kansas, and in September we have the Department Rifle Championships on Sept 9th, and the Detachment 4th Annual Pistol Match on the 23rd with a rain date of the 30th. We need to get out to help make the pistol match a continued success let me know if you have any questions on how you can help.

Lastly, I want to let everyone know that we are having a Detachment breakfast on August 1st at the Perkins restaurant at Rt. 611 and 313 in Doylestown near Kmart we will be meeting at 0900 and all are welcome to come out and spend time with our brothers, I hope to see you there, and to see you at the Detachment meeting on August 9th.

Semper Fi,

J.M. Kier

Commandant



Dept. Meeting Schedule

DEPARTMENT OF PENNSYLVANIA
RIFLE MATCH
9-10 SEPTEMBER 2017
READE RANGE
1257 WIPPERS ROAD
FALLEN TIMBER PA

DEPARTMENT OF PENNSYLVANIA
FALL MEETING
20-21 OCTOBER, 2017
DEPARTMENT HQ
FORT INDIANTOWN GAP
ANNVILLE, PA

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BY CHAPLAIN SAM DIVALENTINO

Bob Dylan wrote a song entitled "Everyone Has To Serve Somebody." The theme of the song is this; no matter who you are, or what title you have, or what position in life you have attained, you still must be a servant to someone else.

The President of a company serves the Board of Directors, and they serve the stockholders. The members of Congress, and all politicians serve the people that elected them, and also the people that did not vote for them. A person in business must serve his/her customers and clients. From the lowest job to the highest office, we all have to serve someone. Serving is filling the requests and demands of the people we serve.

In Detachment 636 we have many servants. Some members take leadership roles at the local and state levels, and some at the local level. We have men that serve the public by volunteering at our local hospital. We have members that clean Swamp Road. Many of our members help to raise money to support the benevolence of our detachment. Other members devote their time to keeping our finances in order. Someone always sends out our monthly (Award Winning) newsletter.

Some members commit their time to working on celebrating the Marine Corps Birthday with a birthday ball. It takes many hands, all acting as servants to have a successful organization

We want to serve our God, our families, friends, employers, our country, the Marine Corps, and the Marine Corps League to the best of our abilities.

In the end we want to hear from our Maker, "Well done good and faithful servant."

Semper Fi Marines!

Sam DiValentino

Chaplain

The regular meeting of Central Bucks Detachment #636, Inc., of the Marine Corps League of Pennsylvania, Inc., was held July 12, 2017, at the Albert R. Atkinson Jr. American Legion Post 210, 315 North St., Doylestown, PA. There were 13 members present including all elected officers. Distinguished members in attendance included **Past Commandants Bob Sundling, Bill McBride, Don Gee and Jim Powell**. Other Distinguished members in attendance were **Past Department Commandant/NE Division Marine of the Year Jim Powell, Department Sergeant-at-Arms Bob Sundling and Department Junior Vice Commandant Joe Kier**. Detachment Marine of the Year **Bill McBride, PC** was recognized.

New Members: Dana Lortie.

The Minutes of the June Meeting as published in Listen Up! were adopted

Sick and Distressed: Chaplain **Sam DiValentino** gave an update on **Bud Pearce, PC** who is in intensive care. His condition is deteriorating rapidly and is in a lot of pain. hospice. Eileen Parzanese, wife of **Don Parzanese Sr., PC** was in a car accident but she is fine. The car didn't fare as well. **Don Parzanese Sr., PC** had surgery on Tuesday to have the battery in his pace maker replaced. He is doing well.

OFFICER REPORTS

Commandant Kier reported that he attended the Marine Corps Leaguer National Budget meeting. It was a very enlightening experience to see how the National organization is functioning. He spoke on the Department Convention where he was elected Department Junior Vice Commandant. He picked up our Youth & Veterans tickets and Department Calendars and delivered them to our Junior Vice, **Bill McBride, PC**.

Senior Vice Haqq reported on Detachment strength.

Junior Vice McBride announced that the Detachment Americanism Book took second place in our category at the Department Convention. He then spoke on the Detachment trailer and the need to get it repaired and how to house it when not in use. A committee was put together to come up with ideas. He also spoke on starting the work on this year's Marine Corps Birthday Ball. Announced that the next Highway Cleanup will take place the Saturday following the August Meeting. Everyone participating will meet at the Doylestown Perkins Restaurant at 0900 on that Saturday.

Paymaster Powell reported on Detachment strength for the excused Senior Vice Commandant. He then presented the Detachment Financial Report. It was received as presented subject to audit.

Judge Advocate DiValentino reported that the Detachment had no legal problems and has not been called on to make any rulings.

Chaplain DiValentino reported on his activities for the past month.

Sergeant-at-Arms Sundling reported that the Young Marine are doing well. They participated in the Southampton Days event last month.

Quartermaster Fisher gave his last report as Detachment Quartermaster as he is stepping down. Anyone interested in filling this position should contact the Commandant.

MONTHLY DETACHMENT MEETING CONTINUED

MINUTES

Junior Past Commandant McBride had nothing to report.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Newsletter Editor Powell announced that the deadline for putting information in the newsletter was July 20th.

Commandant Kier reminded everyone that the Detachment Pistol Match will take place on September 23rd at the Palmerton Rod and Gun Club. The rain date is September 30th and he will be contacting members to come out and help.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Commandant Kier and Sam DiValentino spoke on getting someone to step up to take on the Mess Sergeant duties and that those duties entail overseeing that refreshments are provided at each meeting.

Commandant Kier also announced that the Detachment took Second Place for the Americanism Book and second Place for the Newsletter competition.

Tom Spoltore made a motion to donate \$500.00 to the Ann Warner, who was have some financial issues since her husband Marine Don Warner passed last year. It was seconded by Dana Lortie and passed by the body.

GOOD OF THE LEAGUE

Tom Spoltore suggested that we start meeting monthly at a restaurant to promote camaraderie and fellowship in the Detachment. After some discussion, it was agreed that the first try at this will take place at the Perkins Restaurant in Doylestown (near Kmart) at 0900 on August 1st. Everyone is welcome and should wear Marine themed shirts or hats.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commandant Kier announced that the National Convention will take place August 13th through the 18th in Overland Park, Kansas this year.

Bob Sundling, PC informed the body that his son Bobby's (A Detachment member) wife had a baby boy on Tuesday.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned until 1930 on Wednesday, August 9, 2017.

MESSAGE FROM THE JUNIOR VICE COMMANDANT

The Detachment would like to **Thank** all of those who purchased Youth and Veterans tickets this year. We had outstanding participation and sold 1806 ticket; easily surpassing any amounts in previous years. Your generosity is truly appreciated and hopefully we can keep increasing our sales in years to come.

Also, 2018 Calendars are available for sale. Note: These are special calendars that have a 3-digit number assigned to them that is directly connected to the PA daily number. Weekdays the prize is \$35.00, but on weekends and special holidays the prize is as much as \$100.00. They make great stocking stuffer's at Christmas time.

Although I am not selling Raffle tickets for 2018 as yet, I do have 2000 tickets to sell which I will begin to sell after the first of the year. Remember, they are only a dollar each and support Veterans and other charitable programs throughout the State of Pa. Please put them on your "To Do" list. (continued on page 6)



DETACHMENT CALENDAR

AUGUST 2017

SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9 Detachment Meeting 1930 American Legion Post210 Doylestown, PA	10	11
12	13 National Convention Starts Overland Park, KS	14 National Convention Continues	15 National Convention Continues	16 National Convention Continues	17 National Convention Continues	18 National Convention Ends Overland Park, KS
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

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MESSAGE FROM THE JUNIOR VICE COMMANDANT (CONTINUED)

To purchase the calendars and/or the Raffle tickets, please contact Bill McBride at 267-491-5681 or send him an E-Mail at jabcaat1016@comcast.net. In order to make 2018 a better year than 2017 I need everyone's support.

Lastly, the Birthday Ball is coming and the Detachment is making plans to celebrate the 242nd Birthday on November 18th, 2017. We haven't decided where or how much it will cost as yet, but I am asking that you plan to attend our celebration this year. I need a head count in order to determine how much it will cost, so even though its 4-months away, please, please commit to attending now. I promise you an enjoyable evening with your fellow Marines, ceremonial pomp, good food and a lot of sea stories. **Whether its a Yes or No, please RSVP.**

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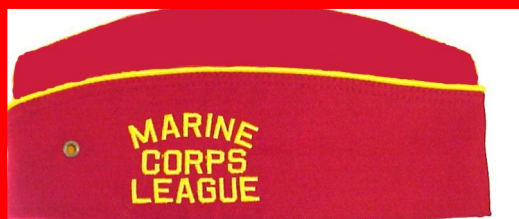
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DETACHMENT COVER

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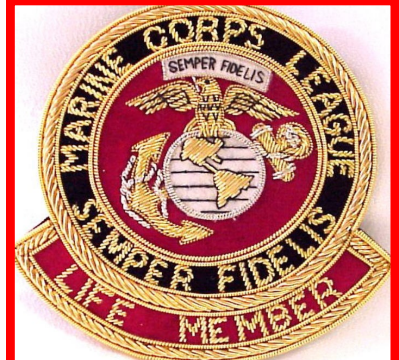
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Type of Application – New () Renewal () Membership Type -- Regular () Associate () Dual ()

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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Applicant's Signature