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OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON JULY 13TH AT 1930

COMMANDANT'S COLUMN

Marines.

We had a very successful Dept. Convention in York, the Detachment was awarded 3rd place Newsletter Award, 2nd place Americanism award, and several members were awarded personal awards for their work and commitment at the Department level. We have a new District Two Vice Commandant Gene Irvin, and I

new District Two Vice Commandant Gene Irvin, and I was elected Department of PA Jr. Vice Commandant, so all in all the Detachment had a great showing out in York.

We have the 4th of July Parade in Chalfont coming up please come out to ride the float with us, and contact Sgt. at Arms Bob Sundling, PC if you can help with the Color guard on the 4th. We have several other things coming up first I will be asking Jr. Vice McBride, PC to start on several projects right away, Youth and Veterans ticket sales, and the Birthday Ball. We have the Rifle Match the second week of Sept. and our Pistol Match in Palmerton on Sept. 23rd.

That's all for now keep up the good work and we will see you on the 4th.

Semper Fi,



J.M. Kier

Commandant



Dept. Meeting Schedule

DEPARTMENT OF PENNSYLVANIA
RIFLE MATCH
15-16, SEPTEMBER 2017
(TENATIVELY)
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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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

BY CHAPLAIN SAM DIVALENTINO

There is one thing that is a constant in life, and that is change.

Change can happen instantly, or over a prolonged period of time. If you think your situation is never going to change, just sit back, kick off your shoes, put your feet up, and wait. Change will find you. In some cases it may be change for the better, such as winning the lottery. In other cases it may be change for the worse, such as getting laid off from your job.

One thing that is hard to change is you, or myself. I am 71 now and still do some really goofy stuff. I promise myself I will change, but when I look in the mirror, the same Knucklehead is standing there looking back at me. We get comfortable with who we are and that makes it hard to see our own faults.

When other people such as our spouse point out our faults to us, we may not react in a constructive manner.

Change comes hard. It usually has to thump me upside the head to get my attention. Is there anyone out there that we can count on to never change? Is there anyone who is the same from beginning to end?

God never changes. He is the same now as He was when He created the Universe. In the Holy Book He tells us about Himself and the promises that He made to us. He keeps His promise of eternal life and all we have to do is believe in Him.

He sent His Son to die for us and He raised Him from the dead. He promises to do the same for us.

No change from beginning to end. That is God, and that is His promise to us.

Semper Fi Marines!

Sam DiValentino

Chaplain

MONTHLY DETACHMENT MEETING



The regular meeting of Central Bucks Detachment #636, Inc., of the Marine Corps League of Pennsylvania, Inc., was held June 14, 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 except Senior Vice Thaky Haqq who was excused. Distinguished members in attendance included Past Commandants Don Parzanese, Sr., Bob Sundling, Bill McBride, Bill Miller and Jim Powell. Other Distinguished members in attendance were Past Department Commandant/NE Division Marine of the Year Jim Powell, NE Division Liaison Bill Miller and Department District 2 Vice Commandant Joe Kier and Department Sergeant-at-Arms Bob Sundling. Detachment Marine of the Year Bill McBride, PC was recognized.

New Members: Mike Norvell and Wesley Wallace.

The Minutes of the May Meeting as published in Listen Up! were adopted with corrections.

Sick and Distressed: Commandant Joe Kier gave an update on his Gastric Bypass surgery. Chaplain Sam DiValentino gave an update on Bud Pearce, PC who in home hospice. Right now, he has Hospice care personnel coming in daily and administering pain meds. Also, he is still looking for phone calls and visits. Don Parzanese Sr., PC reported that his sister Pat Parsonese will soon be having her hip replacement surgery. Also, his brother Tony Parzanese has been in and out of the hospital for several weeks during the past month with double pneumonia and heart issues. He is currently home recuperating. Both Pat and Tony are Detachment members.

OFFICER REPORTS

Commandant Kier reported that the Annual Department Pistol Match was dedicated to Budd Pearce, PC and was recognized for his many years of dedicated service to the Department Marksmanship Program. He also announced that the Annual Detachment Pistol Match will take place the 23rd or 30th of in September. It will take place at the Palmerton Rod and Gun Club and as soon as the date is set it will be announced. He announced the Department Convention scheduled for the 21st through the 24th of June. He spoke about the upcoming Independence Day Parade. There was discussion about it and a motion was made by Don Gee, PC to participate in the parade. It was seconded by Jim Powell, PDC and was passed by the body.

Senior Vice was excused.

Junior Vice Gee explained the problems we had with the ValPak advertising. He informed the body that he spoke with the Advertising Supervisor and that a second mailing was done to help rectify the problem we had.

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 he will need volunteers for the Parade Color Guard. He also reported that the Young Marine are doing well.

MONTHLY DETACHMENT MEETING CONTINUED



Junior Past Commandant thanked Jim McComb, Chuck Wilson and Rich Scott for their help in sell the Youth and Veterans Tickets for the Detachment this year. He also thanked all those who came out to help with the Memorial Day Fund Raiser.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Sam DiValentino spoke on rotating the Mess Sergeant duties on a monthly basis.

Bob Sundling, PC made a motion to donate \$1,000.00 to the MCL of PA Foundation and seconded by Tom Spoltore. It was voted on and passed by the body. It will be delivered at the Department Convention later this month.

Jim Powell, PDC made a motion to supply Covers to the 2 new members. It was seconded by Tom Spoltore and passed the body.

Jim Powell, PDC made a motion to pay for all of our Delegates for the National Convention. It was seconded by Sam DiValentino and passed the body.

GOOD OF THE LEAGUE

Bob Sundling, PC is looking for 4 Maines to be a color Guard at then WWI Fountain Rededication.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jim McComb announced that the WWI Fountain at the Court House will be rededicated at 1400 on Saturday. He also said that the Traveling Wall will be in Bucks County from July 14th through July 16th.

In conjunction with this event Jim will be giving his last presentation on his book on June 22nd at 1930 in Langhorne at the American Legion Post.

Sam DiValentino announced that **Don Parzanese Sr., PC** was selected as Volunteer of the Month at the Doylestown Hospital.

Don Gee, PC informed the body that due to his business and personal commitments that he is must resign his position of Junior Vice Commandant. He also announced that Quartermaster Fisher must also resign his position due to work commitments. **Bill McBride, PC** volunteered to take the Junior Vice Position and was appointed by the Commandant with the approval of the Board of Trustees.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned until 1930 on Wednesday, July 13, 2017.



DETACHMENT CALENDAR JULY 2017

SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	2	3	Independence Day Parade Meet at 0845 Towne Center Chalfont, PA	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12 Detachment Meeting 1930 at American Legion Post 210 Doylestown, PA	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20 Apollo 11 Moon Landing Anniver- sary	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

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