

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

Central Bucks Detachment
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CENTRAL BUCKS DETACHMENT NEWSLETTER - JUNE 1.990

The Memorial Day parade in Doylestown this year was something special for the members of the Central Bucks Detachment. The focal point was the float which was decorated and polished just prior to the parade. On the float were ten volunteers, who were outfitted in vintage Marine Corps uniforms covering the various periods in the Corps history, from the Revolutionary War to the present. The uniforms were on loan from the Marine Corps History Society at Quantico, Virginia. They provided the uniforms, some swords, wigs and miscellaneous accessories. The whole package is valued at \$10,000, and the instuctions for use and care are very explicit. The float was preceded by the Detachment banner, our Detachment mascot bulldog (with his owner in tow), and a squad of hardy Detachment members putting their best foot forward to the familiar strains of the Marine Corps Hymn. It was a very fitting tribute to all Marines. All of those who participated in this endeavor can take a well-deserved bow for their efforts and be assured that it was a highlight of the parade.

The volunteers who wore the uniforms consisted of Detachment members, Marines from the Recruiting Service in Doylestown, and Poolees, who are young men from area high schools in the Delayed Entry Program, who will be eventually heading to Parris Island.

Once again, the Detachment owes Herb Krout a large "Thank You" for the use of his pick-up truck, trailer, and storage space in his equipment garage for the float.

A very special accolade is extended to Jr. Vice Mike Waldron, who had the original idea to borrow the special uniforms for the parade. He also traveled to Quantico the week prior to Memorial Day, along with Sgt-at-Arms Bob Sundling and Paymaster Jim Markstein, to personally pick up the uniforms. He also will be returning them, in person. Thanks again, Mike, for a job well done.

The bus trip to Washington on June 29th to view the "Evening Parade" at the Marine Barracks at 8th and I Streets is still on line. To date approximately forty people have signed up to go. Included in the bus trip is a buffet dinner at the C.P.O. Club in Washington.

Bill Haas has been appointed to the position of Detachment Chaplain.

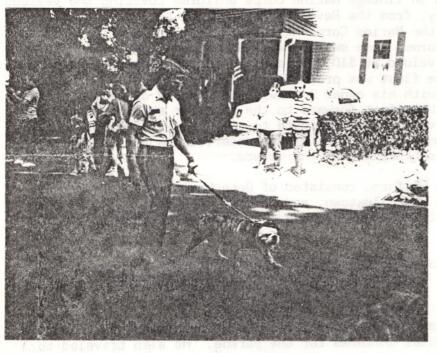
Two visitors at our last meeting were Don Parzanese, Jr., and Corp. Marshall Franklin. Don will be reporting to Camp Pendleton prior to being sent to a duty station in Okinawa. Marshall, who is Rich Cripps son-in-law, was on a twenty-day leave after returning from the South Pacific. He gave us some insight on today's Marine Corps and the high degree of technology that is being employed. He also indicated that with the cut-backs in military spending it may jeopardize future re-inlistments.

If any of you have ever wondered how you might be able to locate some old service buddies, there is a way that might give you the answer. There is an Armed Forces Locater Directory that was published recently, entitled "How to Locate Anyone Who is or Has Been in the Military", by Lt. Col. Richard S. Johnson (USA Ret.). It provides detailed information on where to write or who to call to find present and former military members. The fifty-page booklet sells for \$10 from Military Information Enterprises, P.O. Box 340081, Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234, phone (512) 828-4054.

We have a new member, Robert K. Randle, from Roslyn, PA. He was sponsored by Fran Meyers who attended the meeting. Fran, if you recall, recently spent time in sick bay for a heart problem. He looked great, and even left some excess poundage behind, to his pleasure.

Paymaster Jim Markstein will miss our June meeting, since he is getting a new knee put into place on June 5th at Abington Hospital. Best of luck, Jim, and we'll see you soon.

Next regular meeting will be June 12, 2000 hours, at the American Legion Home in Doylestown, Hope to see you there.





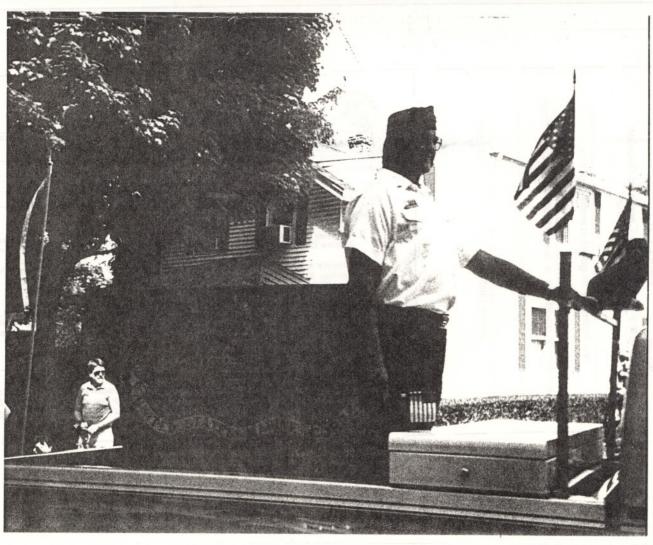














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