

LISTEN UP !



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OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15TH AT 1930

COMMANDANT'S COLUMN

Marines,

We have just returned from the Department Membership meeting and it was a great meeting. In addition to myself the following Detachment members attended; Bob Sundling, PC, Jim Powell PDC, and Bree Ann Kier. At the meeting Jim Powell, PDC announced his intention to run for Northeast Division Vice Commandant at the next National Convention and is looking for everyone's support. The Department Leadership Training has been moved from November 3rd and 4th to sometime in the spring. The new dates will be posted when they become available. I received the First Place plaque for Rifle Optics class, and Second Place for the Pistol Expert class.



At the Detachment, we will be having our Birthday Ball on Nov. 11th at the Plumsteadville Inn starting at 1700. If you have not responded yet, please see the form in this edition of the newsletter and please get it in as quick as you can if you intend to grace us with your presence so we can have the final numbers to the Restaurant. We are excited to welcome our own, 2nd Lieutenant Maddy Hunt as our guest speaker at the event and are also looking forward to hearing a younger perspective of the Marine Corps and the League.

The regular Detachment meeting will be held on Thursday, November 15th this month because the Legion Hall is unavailable on Wednesday when we normally meet. We will be starting at our regular time of 1930 and food and drink will be available after the meeting, so please come out and join us for a good time with good company, hope to see you all there,

Semper Fi,

Joe Kier, Commandant

MCL Schedule

MARINE CORPS BIRTHDAY BALL
5:00PM TO 8:00PM
NOVEMBER 11, 2018
PLUMSTEADVILLE INN
5902 EASTON RD.
PIPERSVILLE, PA 18947

DEPARTMENT OF PENNSYLVANIA
MEMBERSHIP MEETING
18-19 JANUARY, 2019
HOLIDAY INN HARRISBURG
604 STATION ROAD,
GRANTVILLE, PA, 17028

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DETACHMENT, INC. #636**

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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Lord, we thank you for this time in our life. Break open the door of newness and vitality. Stir within us a desire to know you more and to better become the people you have created us to be. We give you the praise and glory for being our loving father, our strength and our redeemer. We continue to raise up fellow Marines and family needing your healing touch. COPD, cancer, radiation treatments, depression, employment, financial burdens, strained marriages and household relationships, nothing is beyond your reach and nothing is beyond your ability to handle. We pray for those needing revival. Draw in two times, three times and four times the number of those who have come to revival so far. Make your love contagious among us. We pray your power over those who are planning to bring your word tonight. Protect them, anoint them and give them rest today. Father in heaven, Holy Spirit in our hearts, transform us in your love and grace. Bless and keep us in your mighty and tender care.

In Christ, Jesus we pray. amen

Semper Fi and God Bless America,

Dana Lortie

Chaplain



The regular meeting of Central Bucks Detachment #636, Inc., of the Marine Corps League of Pennsylvania, Inc., was held October 10, 2018 at the Albert R. Atkinson American Legion Post, 315 North St., Doylestown, PA. There were 8 members including all elected officers. Distinguished members in attendance included Past Commandants **Bob Sundling**, **Don Parzanese Sr.** and **Jim Powell, PDC**. Detachment Marine of the Year **Bill McBride, PC** was recognized.

New Members: Bree Ann Kier

Visitors: None.

The Minutes of the September Meeting as published in the October edition of Listen Up! were adopted.

Sick and distressed: PDC Powell reported that Janette Miller, wife of **Bill Miller, PC** will be having back surgery on October 24th at Abington Hospital.

OFFICER REPORTS

Commandant Kier reported he would like to hold a Detachment Staff Meeting at the Quakertown Family Restaurant in October. On November 11th at 1300 the Doylestown Senior Center will be holding a Veterans Appreciation Luncheon and has requested a Color Guard from the Detachment. He also reported that the Department Quarterly meeting will take place on October 19th and 20th and they will be holding a leadership class on November 3rd and 4th at the Department Headquarters. He also spoke on the Toys for Tots, VAVS and Boy Scout programs. He reported that he received the Plaque that we will be presenting to the State Store in Doylestown in the near future..

Sr. Vice Commandant DiValentino presented the Detachment Strength report.

Adjutant/Paymaster Jim Powell, PDC presented the Detachment Financial report and it was received. He also reported that he still had a few calendars available for purchase and on the trip to Arlington Cemetery through the Shriners scheduled for November. Also, reported he had information on VA Burial Allowances.

Judge Advocate Sundling had nothing to report.

Chaplain Lortie: had nothing to report.

Sergeant-at-Arms Sundling, PC had nothing to report.

Junior Past Commandant was excused, no report.

COMMITTEES

Rifle/Pistol: Commandant Kier reported that the Detachment Pistol Match was a success and the he was looking into possibly scheduling another, but in the Harrisburg area to get more shooters involved.

MONTHLY DETACHMENT MEETING CONTINUED

MINUTES

Audit: PDC Powell reported that the Audit Committee has not met yet.

Birthday Ball: Bobby Sundling spoke on the upcoming Birthday Ball. During the discussion **PDC Powell** brought up the possibility of having the Ball at the Plumsteadville Inn on Rt. 611. They have November 9th and 11th available and their Dinner packages were discussed. After discussing the possibilities, **PDC Powell** made a motion to take the \$35 dinner package along with a Hors d'Oeuvres package. The dinner will cost \$45 per person and happy hour will start at 1700 along with a cash bar. It was seconded by Sam DiValentino and passed the body. More information will be sent out to the membership as soon as it is locked in with the restaurant.

Color Guard: PDC Powell reporting for Sergeant-at-Arms **Sundling, PC.** is looking for volunteers to form a Color Guard at the Doylestown Senior Center for November 11th. It will support the Veterans Appreciation program at the Center. Please contact him if you can participate.

Parade/Trailer: Chaplain Lortie reported that the trailer was covered, and he will be checking on it next week.

Highway Cleanup: The next Highway cleanup is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, November 17th. More information will be available at the next Detachment Meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

PDC Powell made a motion to donate \$500 to the MCL of Pennsylvania Foundation and \$100 to the Palmerton Rod and Gun Club from the proceeds of our Annual Pistol Match. It was seconded by Bobby Sundling and passed the body.

GOOD OF THE LEAGUE

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned until 1930 on Thursday, November 15, 2018.



**CENTRAL BUCKS DETACHMENT
243rd
BIRTHDAY OF THE
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS**

DATE & TIME: Sunday, November 11, 2018, at 1700 (5 p.m.)

PLACE: THE PLUMSTEADVILLE INN
5902 Easton Rd., Pipersville, PA 18947

DINNER CHOICES:

Prime Rib
or Chicken Marsala
or Salmon Teriyaki

PRICE: \$45.00 per person includes Cocktail Hour (Hors d' Oeuvres and cash bar)

RSVP: As Soon As Possible
but **NOT LATER THAN 5 November 2018 to:**

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PAYMENT MAY BE MADE AT THE BALL
but we need the number attending and choices by the date specified above
Please make check payable to CENTRAL BUCKS DETACHMENT, MCL

Name: _____ No. of People Attending: _____

_____ Prime Rib
(How many?)

_____ Chicken Marsala
(How many?)

_____ Salmon Terayki
(How many?)



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October 17, 2018

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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Vets Take Note: Bucks County Military Affairs Office Has Moved

The Bucks County's Office of Military Affairs has moved to a new home in the Administration Building in Doylestown Borough.

For many years, the office has assisted countless numbers of Bucks County's military veterans at the Neshaminy Manor Center on Almshouse Road in Doylestown Township.

As of Tuesday, Oct. 9, Military Affairs Director Dan Fraley and his staff began working on the second floor of the Administration Building – formerly known as the Bucks County Courthouse – at 55 East Court Street in Doylestown.

To reach the office, visitors should enter the main entrance facing Court Street and, after passing through security, immediately turn left through the single door. Security personnel can help with directions.

With approximately 47,000 veterans residing here, Bucks County has the fourth-largest veterans' population in Pennsylvania.

Among the services provided through Fraley's office are assistance with service-connected disability claims; pensions; VA healthcare applications; dependents' and survivors' benefits; requests for military medals and awards; burial and memorial benefits; state and county veterans' benefits; requests for DD214 forms, personnel files and service records; veteran discount program ID cards (by appointment only); and free transportation to the VA Medical Centers in Philadelphia and Coatesville.

To reach the office by phone, please call 215-345-3307. The new fax number is 215-345-3278.



DETACHMENT CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 2018

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
			1	2	3	4 Daylight Savings Time Ends
5	6 Detachment Breakfast 0930 at Perkins Doylestown, PA ELECTION DAY	7	8	9	10 Marine Corps Birthday	11 Veterans Day
12 Veterans Day Observed	13	14	15 Detachment Meeting 1930 American Legion Post 210 Doylestown, PA	16	17	18
19	20	21	22 Thanksgiving	23 Lincoln's Birthday Black Friday	24	25
26 Cyber Monday	27	28	29	30		

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\$5.00



USMC SATIN JACKET

\$55.00



BLAZER CREST

\$25.00



**WITH OR WITHOUT
LIFE STRIP**

DETACHMENT COVER

\$22.00



MCL SUNBURST COLLAR ORNAMENTS

\$10.00



**MARINE
CORPS
LEAGUE
PATCH \$3.50**



**MCL RIBBONS
AND MEDALS
\$1.25 AND UP**

**CENTRAL BUCKS
DETACHMENT PATCH
\$5.00**



**CENTRAL BUCKS
CHALLENGE COIN
\$7.50**

(SAME DESIGN AS PATCH)



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ADDRESS [WWW.MCLEAGUE.COM/
SEMPERFISTORE](http://WWW.MCLEAGUE.COM/SEMPERFISTORE)) AND HAVE THEM
READY FOR PICKUP AT THE NEXT
DETACHMENT MEETING, CONTACT**

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ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED



“ONCE A MARINE ALWAYS A MARINE”

Application for Membership—Marine Corps League

Full Name _____ Phone _____

Street Address _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____ + _____

Date of Birth _____ E-mail address _____

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")

Sponsor (where applicable)

Applicant's Signature