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**NEWSLETTER**

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## MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER DETACHMENT MEETING

The scheduled meeting of the Detachment was held on Wednesday, November 8, 1995 ( 1930 ) at the American Legion Home , in Doylestown, Pa.

There were eighteen (18) members present and one visitor, Ed Hoth, former Nat. N. E. Div. Vice Cmdt..

The regular Detachment meeting for November was suspended due to the planned joint meeting with the Bux-Mont Young Marines to celebrate the Marine Corps Birthday. However, prior to the festivities a short meeting was called to order to conduct the following business.

Walt Roach, Commandant of the Young Marines and a member of the Central Bucks Detachment, was presented with a Certificate Of Appreciation for his dedication and devotion to the Bucks -Mont Young Marine Detachment. Following that, Bob Schaffer was cited as "Marine Of The Year" for 1995-96 and was presented with The Distinguished Citizen Medal. The business meeting was then closed and the joint meeting began.

The Young Marine Detachment included thirteen (13) boys of various ages (the youngest being 8yrs of age) and five adult officers: Walt Roach, Commanding Officer; Joe Notarfrancesco; William Rodriguez and Dan Drago. Some parents of the Young Marines were also in the audience.

The special program began with Don Parzanese reading the traditional Marine Corps birthday message as originally written by General J.A. LeJune.

Next, Don Gee read the birthday message from the current Marine Corps Commandant, General C.C. Krulak.

Central Bucks Commandant , Budd Pearce spoke to the assembled group followed by a few words from the Young Marines Commanding Officer, Walt Roach.

The next order of business was the traditional cake cutting ceremony which provided a piece of cake for everyone present and seconds for those who were still hungry.

A period of socializing between the groups concluded the evenings activities.

**THE NEXT REGULAR DETACHMENT MEETING WILL BE 13DECEMBER95 (1930)  
AT THE AMERICAN LEGION HOME ON NORTH STREET IN DOYLESTOWN, PA.**

THE DECEMBER MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE DOWNSTAIRS AREA OF THE LEGION HOME SINCE THE AMERICAN LEGION IS HAVING THEIR ANNUAL MEETING IN THE UPSTAIRS MEETING ROOM.

THEIR WILL BE NO LOCKER BOX AVAILABLE AT THIS MEETING SO IF YOU NEED ANYTHING BEFORE THE JANUARY MEETING (POSSIBLY FOR XMAS) GIVE DON GEE A CALL AT (822-6723) AND HE WILL TAKE CARE OF IT FOR YOU.

ALSO, THE DETACHMENT CHRISTMAS TOY COLLECTION WILL BE HELD AT THE DECEMBER MEETING SO PLEASE BRING UNWRAPPED TOYS TO THE MEETING WHICH WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO NEEDY FAMILIES.

Young Marines of the



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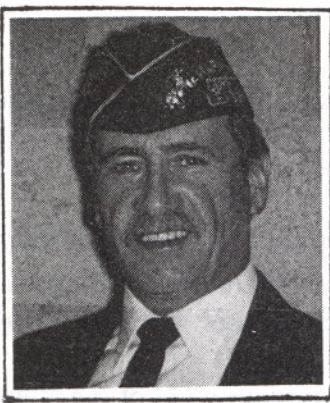
#### ACTIVITIES OF THE YOUNG MARINES

In the month of October regular drill was held at the 157th Army Reserve Center on 611 in Horsham, on 11 Oct. On the 14th and 15th of October our coin toss was held in New Hope at the intersection of routes 202&179. Our young marines turned out and stood tall in the pouring rain to help support our activities. October 21&22 found us at the 14th marines in West Trenton N.J. for an over night encampment, at which time were privileged to be invited to partake in the festivities of a wetdown for GySgt. Robert Shier. As of 1/1/96 Gunny Shier is being transferred to Camp LeJune, he is going to be greatly missed because he has been a great assistance in helping us get our quarters set up and squared away at West Trenton.

On November 4 our unit participated in the retirement ceremonies for SgtMaj. Benn at Willow Grove NAS. November 8th we were honored to help Central Bucks Detachment celebrate the birthday of our beloved Corps at the American Legion in Doylestown. The interest and support that Central Bucks Detachment shows our young marines is outstanding and greatly appreciated by us all involved in the day to day operation of the unit. (Young or old-big or small Marines take care of Marines). November 18th we were back at West Trenton for regular drill. For the remainder of November and December we will be concentrating our efforts in assisting the reservist at MAG 49 and West Trenton with thier TOYS 4 TOTS program.

On behalf of the Officers and young marines of the Bux-Mont Young Marines we wish you all the Happiest of Holidays.

Semper Fi  
Larry Scheetz



From The Desk **COMMANDANT - BUDD PEARCE**  
Central Bucks Detachment, Marine Corps League

Marines,

The November meeting, with the Young Marines, was a lot of fun. If you missed it, you missed a good one. The meeting was not really a meeting, but a small Birthday Party complete with cake cutting. Several of the Young Marine's families were there, as well as some of our member's families. Everyone seemed to enjoy the ceremony. I know that the Y.M.'s liked the cake, some of them came back for thirds. It was good to see the mix of young and Old Marines. The Young Marines need figures, such as the members of our Detachment, to look up to. Thanks to all the Detachment members who made it out for this joint meeting.

The annual Birthday Ball was a great success! Everyone had a great time, as usual. Again we owe a debt of thanks to Mike and Dorothy Waldron for doing it all. All offers of help were turned down by both of them. Thanks Mike and Dorothy, we all appreciate the effort you made!!! Maybe if the Auxillary gets going they will be able to help out a lot on next year's ball. This is one area where the Auxillary is very important to a detachment. It also makes everyone feel more involved if they are asked to lend a hand in the planning, organizing and the decorating.

This year the Detachment did not give out Thanksgiving turkeys to Marines from MAG-49. We did not get names of any of the Marines until it was too late to do anything before Thanksgiving. We have the names of two Marines, with families, that could use some help around Christmas, so we will get the Turkey Committee working on getting them some Christmas dinner. We might even throw in some of the toys from our toy table. If you plan to donate to the dinners, you will be told at the December meeting what is needed.

Don't forget to bring a toy, or two, to the December meeting. Don't be afraid to take a couple of the toys for any needy family that you may know of. All the left over toys will be given to the Toys-For-Tots program at the VA Hospital in Phila. Speaking of the December meeting, we will be downstairs at the Legion this month due to their hosting of the District meeting on the same night as our regular meeting. Because we will be downstairs there is no easy place to put the locker box. Therefore, if you wish to get something from the box for Christmas, give Don Gee a call at 822-6723 before the meeting, so he can have it for you at the meeting. This is our last meeting for 1995, so please come out and make it a great one!!! See you there....

Semper Fi & Merry Christmas,

*Budd Pearce*

Commandant

# MARINE CORPS TRIVIA QUIZ



1. What was the nickname given Marine parachutists during WWII?
2. Which Marine Aircraft Wing flew the most sorties in Korea?
3. Name the biggest and longest war in the history of the Marine Corps.
4. Who was the first female Marine promoted to Brigadier General?
5. What is the oldest of the official songs of the U.S. Armed Forces?

Answers in Next Month's Newsletter

## ANSWERS TO LAST MONTH'S QUIZ

1. "Martyr Square" is located in Beirut, Lebanon.
2. "Leatherneck Square" was located in Con Thien, Vietnam.
3. The critical turning point of the Vietnam War was the Communist Tet Offensive.
4. The Marine Corps Institute was formally established by Major General John A. Lejeune.
5. The 1st Marine Raider Battalion was commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Merritt A. "Red Mike" Edson. The unit was nicknamed, "Edson's Raiders."

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DETACHMENT CELEBRATES MARINE BIRTHDAY WITH YOUNG MARINES



Commandant Pearce cuts cake with help from Sr Vice Bill Rosenberger.



Walter Roach awarded Certificate of Appreciation.

**BOB SCHAFFER - MARINE OF THE YEAR!**



Standing tall for the reading of Commandant's message.



Commandant Pearce awards Bob Schaffer Marine of the Year at the joint meeting with the Young Marines on 8 November.

Photos on this page  
by Marine Joe Hazen

THE ANNUAL BIRTHDAY BALL WAS GREAT SUCCESS



Mike Waldron does the emcee honors.



Youngest & Oldest Marine await their cake.



The Haas clan.



Don Parzanese Jr and his intended.



Larry Scheetz gets a Special thanks for his work w/Young Marines.



The detachment's guests all seem to have a good time.



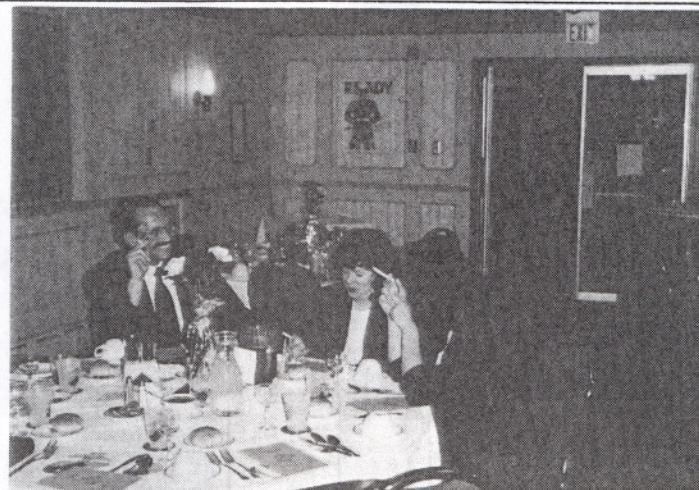
Bill Rosenberger and Ernie Ortiz.



Peggy Sundling's favorite sport, counting money.



Don Gee reads the Commandant's birthday message.



Steve Weir and his lovely wife relax with their guest.



The 50-50 Boys



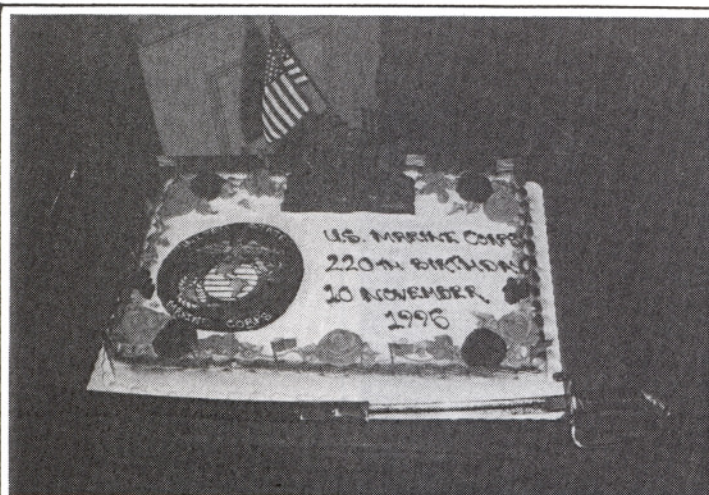
Commandant Pearce reads his message.



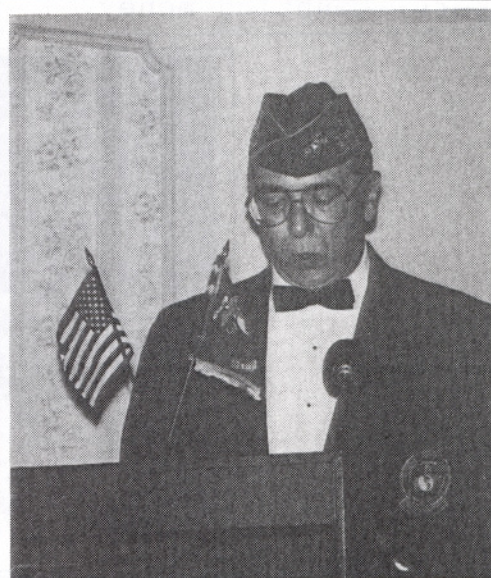
The Gee family with guests.



Pat Parzanese



The Cake



Don Parzanese reads the traditional message.



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