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Meets 7:30 P.M. 2nd Wednesday of Month
American Legion Post 210
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NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 1995

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE DECEMBER DETACHMENT MEETING

Nineteen (19) members were present plus three applicants for membership and one visitor. All officers were in attendance.

Past Commandants; Don Parzanese, Bill Plant and Frank Yohe were recognized and welcomed.

There were three applicants for membership:

R. Bruce Sergeant - Chalfont, Pa.

James Orfe - Dublin, Pa.

Charlie Wurst - Langhorne, Pa.

Candidates Sergeant and Orfe were applying for regular membership and Wurst was requesting approval as an associate member. Following the application of the prescribed procedures, the candidates were approved by vote of the membership present.

Former Detachment member, Tony Parzanese, was in attendance as a visitor.

A correction to the November Newsletter was noted. Due to an oversight, Bill Plant was not recognized as Past Commandant possibly because he did not sign in prior to the meeting.

Minutes of the November meeting were approved along with the Paymaster's report.

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter from Genuardi Markets notifying the Detachment that as of Jan. 1, 1995, the only cash register tapes that will be accepted, by them, for redemption, will be the blue ones. The yellow ones will no longer be valid.

SR VICE - Don Gee

The Detachment strength at the present time is sixty-eight (68); forty-five (45) regular, fourteen (14) life and nine (9) associate members.

VAVS

The Marine Corps Birthday celebration held at the Phila. V.A. Hospital sponsored jointly with Pennelphia and Central Bucks Detachments, on Nov. 10th was considered very successful.

A ceremony is scheduled for February 23, 1995, at the hospital, to honor veterans of the Iwo Jima assault, fifty years ago. Commemorative Medals will be given to those present.

JR. VICE - Mike Waldron

The next highway clean-up is scheduled for January 14, 1995. at 0900. If you wish to have breakfast first and mingle with your buddies in the Detachment, just be at Okies Restaurant, in Furlong, Pa., at 0800. Either way, try to be there to help with the clean-up which will only take about 1 to 1 1/2 hours.

There will be a Pennsy Pops Concert in March and anyone interested in attending please see Mike Waldron for additional details. Also in March or April, there will be a 1776 Dinner at the Nostalgia Country Caterers in Chalfont, Pa. Mike has information on this affair too.

Applications can be obtained from Mike for membership in the Third Marine Division Association

POW/MIA

According to an article in the American Legion Newsletter, the remains of twelve more servicemen have been recovered and shipped to Hawaii to be identified.

YOUNG MARINES

Drills are being held at Willow Grove and once a month they travel to the 14th Marines, in West Trenton, to simulate firing an M-16 using a computer which produces their score. This method has been recognized by the Marines in lieu of a Rifle Range. Possibly the Detachment Rifle Team will be able to use this equipment, for practice.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Will Haas and Bill Rosenberger delivered Thanksgiving food baskets from the Detachment, to the Sgt. Major at MAG 49 Willow Grove NAS for distribution to needy service families. At Christmas, food will be delivered to St. Vincent DePaul of Mount Carmel Church, in Doylestown, Pa. for needy families.

Toys that have been donated by the Detachment for Christmas, will be taken to the V.A. Hospital in Philadelphia. The Central Bucks Detachment has established a Toy Barrel to collect new toys for children in Philadelphia that are in need.

The Sgt. Major at MAG 49 requested volunteers to help collect Toys For Tots at Blair Mill and Chalfont locations to help sort gifts.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Detachment member Ernie Ortiz was awarded a Meritorious Commendation (Detachment Level) for organizing the implementing the plan for donation tables at various locations and events throughout the year. He also received a trophy for being High Shooter for the Detachment at the State Rifle Match, in Indiantown Gap, Pa. this fall.

Bob Randle made a motion, which was passed, to make this an annual award and name it the "Fran Meyers Memorial Trophy" in honor of our former Commandant. His daughter will be notified of this honor.

NEW BUSINESS

Bill Plant is setting up his first annual "Chain Saw Carving Contest" to be held on the week-end of May 20-21, 1995 at the "Gathering" Route 413 Penns Park, Pa. There will be cash prizes and it is anticipated that there will be contestants from various parts of the country. There will be more discussion about this event at coming Detachment meetings to explore the possibility of the Detachments involvement in some way as fund raiser.

Don Parzanese made a motion to place a \$10.00 ad in the St. Joseph Society of Mt. Carmel program, which was passed.

Ray Krout made a motion to donate \$25.00 to "Give a Xmas 1994" sponsored by the Daily Intelligencer. Motion carried.

Commandant Budd Pearce volunteered his services at the Vietnam Veterans Thanksgiving Day Dinner at the Central Bucks Senior Citizen Center.

The S.E. Division Quarterly Meeting is scheduled to be held on Saturday January 28, 1995 at the American Legion Home on North Street, Doylestown, Pa. with the Central Bucks Detachment as the host. All Detachment members are urged to attend if at all possible to assist with this endeavor.

Don Gee thanked the Detachment members who were able to attend his brothers funeral. The family was very appreciative of the Detachment's condolence.

THE NEXT REGULAR DETACHMENT MEETING WILL BE 11 JANUARY 95 (1930) AT THE AMERICAN LEGION HOME ON NORTH STREET, IN DOYLESTOWN, PA

DUE TO AN UNFORTUNATE OVERSIGHT, IN THE DECEMBER NEWSLETTER, WE OMITTED OFFERING THE DETACHMENT'S SINCERE CONDOLENCES TO RAY AND HERB KROUT WHO LOST THEIR BROTHER "LEN" ON NOVEMBER 27, 1994, AT HOME IN FEASTERVILLE, PA.

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Meetings 2nd Wed. of Month 1930 hrs
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MARINE CORPS TRIVIA QUIZ

1. What is Article 89 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice?
2. Name three parts of a grenade.
3. What letters are printed on a chemical contamination marker?
4. What does MRE stand for?
5. What is a flag called when it is carried by troops?

Answers in Next Month's Newsletter

ANSWERS TO LAST MONTH'S QUIZ

1. The male Marine long-sleeve shirt should have a tolerance of plus or minus 1/2 inch.
2. When administering CPR, you find where to push on the chest by measuring up two or three finger-widths from the xiphoid (bottom of rib cage).
3. Recon's motto is, "Swift, Silent, Deadly," the original motto of the Marine Raiders in WWII.
4. The UCMJ Punitive Articles are Articles 77 through 134.
5. "Starboard" is the Naval term used to indicate a direction to the right of center line.

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

Marines,

Well, the holiday season is past and it's time to make our New Year resolutions. One resolution I hope all of you make is to bring in at least one new member this year. Another good resolution would be to try and make every function, activity or work detail that the Detachment has planned for the new year. I know that almost all resolutions are broken, but these two are important enough to your Detachment to try to keep.

The Detachment gave away 6 turkey dinners at Christmas time. They were donated to the St. Vincent DePaul organization. This group gets the dinners to needy people that would otherwise have nothing for their Christmas dinner. Thanks to all that helped out on this project. A special thanks to Will Haas and Bill Rosenberger for doing all the leg work on this. They also were instrumental in the Toys for Tots program. Along with our collection point at the Veterans Hospital, we worked with the Marines from Willow Grove to collect toys at Blair Mill Village mall. The toys that were brought in to the December meeting went to the VA Hosp. with Don Gee. Thank you all for being so generous in your donations of toys for these needy children.

At the meeting on 11 January, we will be forming the nominating committee for the upcoming elections. If you know of someone whom you think would make a good officer, or you wish to be one, let the committee know about them. You will have a chance to nominate someone yourself at the Feb. meeting, as we take nominations from the floor at that time. Last minute nominations will be accepted at the March meeting just before the actual elections begin. If anyone is thinking of becoming an officer, now or in the future, you might think about the MCL Leadership school which will be held this May. This school is an excellent way to learn the ins and outs of the Marine Corps League, from the Department level down to the Detachment level. It also is very informative about how National works. I attended the first school that the Dept. of PA held and it was a tremendous help to me since I have been Commandant. Full information on the school will be available at the meetings.

Just as a reminder, the 2nd qtr. staff meeting in Grantville is to be held on 14 & 15 Jan. The awards for the rifle and pistol teams will be given out during the Banquet on the 14th. If any of you are going to the meeting and have been looking for something special in the way of Marine Corps or MCL paraphernalia you just might find it on one of many tables that are set up in the hall ways in front of the meeting rooms. Any member is welcome to attend the meetings, which go on all day. These meetings are very interesting and you get a lot of inside info that otherwise you might never hear.

For all of you that are not going to the 2nd qtr. meeting, you can still participate in a MCL function that weekend. It's highway clean up time again! The clean up will be on Saturday 14 January. Everyone meets at Okie's restaurant, located at the corner of Rt. 263 and Edison-Furlong Rd., at about 8 am. After a good hearty breakfast

the troops fall out for a quick but thorough cleaning of Rt 313 from 263 to Rt. 202. This is a very pleasant walk with not too many hills and not too much trash but a lot of war stories...(and a lot of fun). Plan on coming out to help this time, with the 2nd qtr. meeting being held on the **same weekend** the Detachment can use the extra help.

That's about it for this month. Don't forget to make the meetings and bring a friend if you can. If your friend is a fellow Marine, with \$30 and a 214, that would be even better! See you on the 11th.

Semper Fi,

Budd Preece

Commandant

One last note: the Detachment is looking for a volunteer to keep track of the newsletter ads. This is really an easy job but it needs to be done. If you think that you would like to help us out on this please see me at the next meeting and I'll get you set up with everything that you will need, except the telephone.



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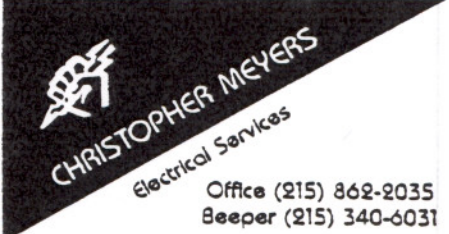
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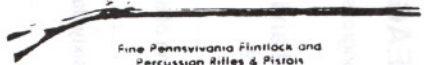
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