

# LISTEN UP!



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## **OUR JULY 8, 2020 DETACHMENT MEETING IS CANCELLED**

### **COMMANDANT'S COLUMN**

Marines,

I hope this finds everyone well. With all that has been going on in our country and the world it has been a tough year so far. I am hoping to see if we can get a meeting together at the American Legion Hall on August 12th at our regular time of 1930. I had hoped a July meeting would be possible but that did not work out. I still will need to coordinate with the American Legion Commander to confirm where they are with the building and the ability to have small groups use it. I will let everyone know as soon as I know what is happening with the August meeting, in the meantime pencil it in your calendars for our normal 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday schedule.



As many of you know the Department had the Youth and Veterans ticket drawing on Saturday June 27<sup>th</sup> at 1300 at the HQ building on Ft. Indiantown Gap so if you bought tickets you should already know if you won. If you wanted to buy tickets, I am sorry to tell you it is too late by the time this newsletter comes out it will be way past the deadline. Please do not send any late or unused tickets to us, however will accept donations to the Detachment at any time.

That's all for now. Hope to see you all soon and hope you stay healthy and safe in the meantime!

Semper Fi,

Joe Kier, Commandant

### **MCL Schedule**

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# CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

We certainly have need of endurance. The times being what they are, we need to endure the challenges and difficulties in God-honoring ways so that we may receive what He has promised. Pray for God to speak into your mind the Word that He has for you today. His Word is living and active, it pierces through all our armor and defenses, and it tears away our excuses. May all you hear His Word for you today.

Dear Holy One, the Righteous Judge and beautiful Savior, we praise you for your Holiness, your purity, your total perfection. Even with all the sickness that is going around. We know this COVID-19 is no match for you and we pray that you help Man kind control it. Thank you that you are the Living Word, breathing Truth into the chaos of our days. Father, please be with us as we wrestle with your Word. Bring comfort to our hearts and conviction to our spirits when we step out of alignment with you. We bring our concerns before you, asking for your intervention wherever your will allows for it. Please walk alongside us we walk in your way.

Thank you, Lord. In all this I pray. Amen.

Semper fi and may God Bless America and our Corps.

*Dana R Lortie*

Chaplain



Since there was not a meeting in July, there are no minutes to report.

The calendar on page 6 will reflect an August Meeting at our normal time, however that is tentative depending on the ability to gather at the American Legion hall. If face to face meetings cannot be convened, the membership will be notified of cancellation or a remote meeting if any urgent business needs to be handled.

# This Month In USMC History—July

## 1700's and 1800's

- July 28, 1779 Captain John Welsh and 13 Marines killed in an assault at Penobscot Bay, ME
- June 11, 1798 "The President's Own" Us Marine Band was established by an Act of Congress
- June 30, 1846 First Lieutenant Jacob Zeilin leads Marines ashore at Santa Barbara, CA
- July 31, 1861 Marines under Brevet Major John G. Reynolds fights in the Battle of Bull Run

## Early 20th Century

- July 28, 1915 Marines land in Haiti, beginning their longest Caribbean intervention
- July 18, 1918 Marines in vast Allied counter-offensive meet Germans south of Soissons
- July 1, 1920 Major General John A. Lejeune became the 13th Commandant of the USMC
- July 25, 1930 Lieutenant Puller wins first of 5 Navy Crosses chasing guerrillas in Nicaragua
- July 7, 1941 1st Provisional Marine Brigade landed at Iceland
- July 13, 1943 The Battle of Kursk marked the largest armored engagement of all time and included the highest single day casualty count of aerial warfare in history
- July 21, 1944 3rd Marine Division opened battle for Guam
- July 24, 1944 2nd and 4th Marine Divisions land on Tinian

## Korea and 1950's

- July 27, 1953 Korean War ends
- July 15, 1958 2nd Marines land at Beirut and seize airport at Lebanese government's request

## Vietnam

- July 5, 1968 After an unsuccessful attempt at baiting the North Vietnamese (using Marines as bait), US gave up Khe Sanh base due to ongoing communist shelling

# This Month In USMC History– August

## 1800's

August 24, 1814

114 Marines help defend Washington DC in the Battle of Bladensburg

August 6, 1847

Marines commenced their march on the “Halls of Montezuma” in Mexico

## World War I Era

August 4, 1900

Marines in International Relief Force marched out of Tientsin to lift siege of Peking  
Marine Pvt Dan Daly won first of two Congressional Medals of Honor

August 14, 1912

Major Smedley Butler leads Marines ashore, beginning intervention in Nicaragua

August 2, 1914

WWI begins

August 29, 1916

The Marines Corps Reserve was founded

August 7, 1917

The 7th Marine Division activated in Philadelphia

August 19, 1919

Marines Hymn registered with the US Copyright Office

## World War II Era

August 7, 1942

1st Marines Division lands on Guadalcanal

August 17, 1942

2nd Raider Battalion raided Makin Atoll to destroy installations, take prisoners, gain intelligence on the area and divert Japanese attention and reinforcements from Guadalcanal and Tulagi

August 6, 1945

The Enola Gay dropped atomic bomb “Fat Boy” on Hiroshima

August 9, 1945

Atomic bomb dropped on Nagasaki

August 14, 1945

President Truman announced unconditional surrender of the Japanese

## Korea and 1950's

August 2, 1950

1st Marine Provisional Brigade lands at Pusan, South Korea

August 4, 1950

Marine Corps League receives federal charter signed by President Roosevelt

## Vietnam Era

August 19, 1974

Marines defended US embassy in Nicosia Cyprus after sniper killed US Ambassador Roger Davies; mob action ensued

## Gulf War

August 2, 1990

Saddam Hussein's Iraqi Army invaded Kuwait

August 5, 1990

Marines land in Monrovia, Liberia and evacuate civilians threatened by civil war

August 25, 1990

7th Marine Expeditionary Brigade begins Persian Gulf buildup

*Information developed through google research, Marine Corps League Outer Banks Detachment (web page), and USHistory.com.*



# DETACHMENT CALENDAR

## AUGUST 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1
2	3	4	5	6 Purple Heart Day	7	8
9	10	11	12 Central Bucks Meeting (Tentative)	13	13	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

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Type of Application – New ( ) Renewal ( ) Membership Type -- Regular ( ) Associate ( ) Dual ( )

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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")

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