



MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

Central Bucks Detachment

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MARCH 1988 NEWSLETTER

With January and February safely behind us, it seems reasonable to assume that Spring isn't too far off and I'm sure that we all look forward to the change of seasons.

The annual Department of Pennsylvania Marine Corps League Car Raffle is now under way. The proceeds are used for Veteran and Youth Programs and in addition it provides much needed revenue for our local detachment. We are authorized to retain forty cents from each dollar of ticket sales and our share can increase depending on the total number of tickets sold by our detachment. It's an easy way to raise money and we are counting on the membership to sell as many tickets as possible between now and June 25th.

Be on the lookout for former Marines and do your best to sign them up with our detachment. At the same time we want all our current members to check the renewal date on their own card and re-up before it expires. If you're not sure of the date just give a call and we'll check it for you.

Our next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday night, March 9th (8:00), at the Amber Inn, Shewell Avenue, Doylestown; Penna. Plan to attend and show that you are supporting the detachment.

Semper Fi

Robert Schaffer
Sr Vice-Commandant

"ONCE A MARINE ALWAYS A MARINE"

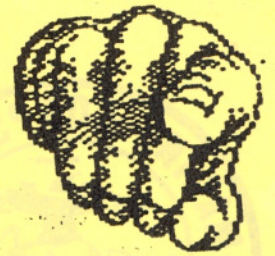


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Always a Marine"

DEPARTMENT OF PENNSYLVANIA - MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

From: COMMANDANT
TO: ALL MARINES
SUBJ: UPDATE # 9

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UP A NEW MEMBER??

* National
Mid-Winter
1988

Your Commandant returned to Pennsylvania with 52 pages of reports from National Officers. Condensing this information for the membership will be accomplished in the next few weeks.

Membership

Our National Commandant, William Galvin, again reminds us, lack of Renewals continues to hurt the League. Pennsylvania has been faring better than other Departments, with our goal of 4000 Marines within our sights for June. Do'nt let your Detachment be a marginal Unit, make special efforts to keep in step with 100% Renewals and new members. There is nothing wrong with the old methods of utilizing the tools of the trade, such as, personal contact/letters, Marine League brochures, Newsletters, Renewal Notices and others. Its your Detachment's Flair for doing that will make the difference on whether the Sale is made. Your Sr. Vice Commandant (Membership Chairman) and other elected Officers are available for assistance and advice. This Commandant is on call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to administer the affairs of the Department.

Department
Headquarters

The Department of PA, MCL will open its new Headquarters in the early Spring of 88 at 4610 Jonestown Road, Harrisburg, PA 17109. It is anticipated that it will be used mostly for record storage at this time. PNC Paul Hastings is handling the arrangements for a dollar a year lease, rental. There will be more forth coming on this in the next Update. The Legislative phone number in Harrisburg is (717) 774-7585.

VAVS

The new Chairman of the VAVS Program is John Wilson, his Assistant is Maynard King, both are members of the Valley Forge Detachment. They replace Pete Bruni. All reports should be sent to the assistant Adjutant Ferne Lauter, R.D. 7162, Reading, PA 19606.

Americanism
Questionnaire

Under Item 10-f. Detachment actively involved in the Military Order of Devil Dogs. This question will not count toward score in Americanism at the 88 Convention. The MOOD is a subsidiary Unit of the League.

Once a Marine

Lee Davis, PR NCO is producer & Publisher of the Department Newsletter. The 2nd edition was outstanding, with the 3rd Letter coming up. If you have any news items, please send to Lee Davis, 1110 S. Dolton Ct., Wilmington DE 19810, or let him know your feelings on the Letter.

Unsung
Workers

The Department owes a great deal of thanks to the Audit committee under Bill Fogelsonger, they perform a great service and do'nt receive a lot of credit. The Committee consists of members, Iggy Galletta, John Groves, Dick Holden, and Jim Bradford, thanks for a good job Marines.

New Detachment

Welcome aboard to the Somerset Area Detachment. The Charter will be presented on Saturday 12 March at the VFW in Somerset at 1400.

Food for thought

* "Paper work will ruin any Military Force"--Lewis Puller, 1962
A Flag Pole should be 4 times the length of any flag.....

Semper Fidelis Paul J. Seton