



# Central Bucks Detachment

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"ONCE A MARINE ALWAYS A MARINE"

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MARCH NEWSLETTER

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A lot has happened since our last newsletter. The war in the Persian Gulf has reached a successful conclusion for the UN Forces, the PW's have been returned, and our troops will start to rotate home on a first in, first out basis.

The Marines, once again, distinguished themselves in their assigned battle location and provided yet another memorable chapter in the Leatherneck history book. This was emphasized at a briefing by Commander of Operations General H. Norman Schwarzkopf shortly after the start of the ground offensive. The text of his remarks is as follows:

At 4:00 in the morning, the Marines, the First Marine Division and the Second Marine Division, launched attacks through the barrier system. They were accompanied by the Second — the Tiger Brigade, U.S. Army Tiger Brigade of the Second Armored Division.

be an underdescription of the absolutely superb job that they did in breaching the so-called impenetrable barrier. It was a classic — absolutely classic military breaching of a very, very tough minefield-with-barbed-wire-fire-trenches type barrier. They went through the first barrier like it was water; they went across into the second barrier line.

Even though they were under artillery fire at the time, they continued to open up that breach, and then they brought both divisions streaming through that breach. Absolutely superb operation, a textbook (operation), and I think it will be studied for many, many years to come as the way to do it.

I can't say enough about the two Marine divisions. The — if I use words like *brilliant* it would really

Sounds as if the Corps definitely did their homework and impacted a major offensive drive in the initial stage of the ground war. Another job..Well Done!

Approval has finally been given for the Marine Corps League license plate. Application can now be made for your plate. The necessary form is included with this Newsletter.



The 1991 Northeast and New England Division annual meeting will be hosted by the Dept. of New York at the Ramada Inn, Kingston, NY, on Saturday 27 April 1991. If you would like to attend and wish additional information, contact Bob Schaffer at 345-1673, or Paul Seton at 287-9793.

NOTES FROM THE DETACHMENT FEBRUARY MEETING.....

### CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

A letter was received from the Willow Grove Naval Air Station Marine Air Group extending their appreciation for the donation of Christmas turkeys from Detachment members

Bill Haas and Bill Plant to needy families of Marines serving in the Persian Gulf. The wife of Detachment member Frank Yohe sent us a thank-you note for the pointsettia she received during her recent illness. It was reported that member Bill Richmond is now at home and receiving chemo treatments.

#### OTHER BUSINESS

The Detachment treasury picked up \$100.00 for cash-register receipts from Genuardi's Super Markets. This is the easiest way available to us for raising money. All you have to do is turn in register receipts to the Detachment and we redeem them for a 1% refund. If you or any of your friends shop at Genuardi's, please save the tapes for us. Bring them to the meeting or mail them to Box 1372, Doylestown, PA 18901. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

#### WASHINGTON BUS TRIP

The bus trip to Washington, D.C. is set for 21 June 1991, to view the Evening Parade at the Marine Barracks at 8th and I Streets. The Marine Band, the Marine Corps Drum and Bugle Corps, and the Marine Corps Silent Drill Team will all perform.

There will also be other activities available for everyone. Complete information is included elsewhere in the Newsletter.

#### NATIONAL CONVENTION

The 68th Annual National Marine Corps League will be held at the Holiday Inn, King of Prussia, August 4 through 9, 1991. More information will be included in the next Newsletter.

#### NOMINATION FOR OFFICERS

Nominations were accepted for the five elected Detachment posts. They are as follows:

Commandant	-	Fran Meyers
Senior Vice Commandant	-	Bill Haas
Junior Vice Commandant	-	Walt Schaffer
Judge Advocate	-	Marlin Miller
Paymaster	-	Jim Marckstein

Final vote will be conducted at the March meeting.

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THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 1991 (2000 HOURS), AT THE AMERICAN LEGION HOME IN DOYLESTOWN, PA

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in 1937 as a National  
Organization





# Department of Pennsylvania - Marine Corps League

From the Office of DEPARTMENT PAYMASTER

FEBRUARY 1, 1991

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PENNSYLVANIA  
MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

SUBJ: Marine Corps League License Plate

1. The final approval of the PA license plate for the Marine Corps League has been received. Plates will go into production soon. Our requirement NOW is to receive applications for the plate. NOW is the time to act and get your application in for the license plate. PLEASE send all applications to the Department Paymaster along with your application fee. One check from the Department will be sent to the state along with the applications.

2. I am enclosing an application. Complete the application, sign the application and forward it to me at: 1631 Bridge Street. New Cumberland, PA 17070. THANKS for your help NOW!

P.S. Make your check payable to: MCL OF PA, Inc.

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## APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL ORGANIZATION REGISTRATION PLATE (INCLUDING PRESS PHOTOGRAPHER)



Paul F. Hastings, PNC  
Marine Corps League  
1631 Bridge Street  
New Cumberland, PA 17070

FFF: \$20.00 **INFORMATION ON REVERSE**

<b>A VEHICLE DESCRIPTION (complete this section exactly as information appears on registration card)</b>							
TITLE NUMBER		CURRENT REG. PLATE #		CURRENT EXPIRATION		VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER	
YEAR		TYPE		In conjunction with replacement of your plate you will receive one registration card. If additional registration cards are desired the fee is \$1.00 for each card.			How many extra registration cards do you want _____
<b>B APPLICANT INFORMATION (Complete this section exactly as information appears on registration card)</b>							
LAST NAME		JR., etc.	FIRST NAME		MIDDLE NAME OR INITIAL		TELEPHONE NUMBER ( ) WORK _____ ( ) HOME _____
STREET ADDRESS				CITY		STATE	ZIP CODE
<b>C TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT</b>							
I MAKE APPLICATION FOR A		INDICATE TYPE OF ORGANIZATION MARINE CORPS LEAGUE			SPECIAL ORGANIZATION REGISTRATION PLATE		
NAME OF ORGANIZATION CHAPTER, POST, LODGE, EMPLOYER, etc.						TELEPHONE NUMBER ( )	
STREET ADDRESS			CITY		STATE	ZIP CODE	
<b>D TO BE COMPLETED BY ORGANIZATION OFFICIAL (see special instructions on back)</b>							
I Certify that the individual named in Section B is a member in good standing of the organization listed in Section C:							
NAME PAUL F. HASTINGS		TITLE PAYMASTER		SIGNATURE X			
<b>E I CERTIFY THAT ALL INFORMATION GIVEN ON THIS APPLICATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT AND, IF I CEASE TO BE A MEMBER OF THE ABOVE NAMED ORGANIZATION, I WILL IMMEDIATELY RETURN THE REGISTRATION PLATE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.</b>						APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE IN INK X	DATE



Department of Pennsylvania Marine Corps League

THE MARINE CORPS LEAGUE OF PENNSYLVANIA  
 IS THE LARGEST AND MOST ACTIVE OF THE MARINE CORPS LEAGUES  
 IN THE UNITED STATES. WE ARE A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION  
 WHOSE PURPOSE IS TO PROMOTE THE INTERESTS OF THE MARINE  
 CORPS AND TO ASSIST IN THE RE-EDUCATION OF DISCHARGED  
 MARINES. WE ARE NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR  
 MEMBERSHIP. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED, PLEASE  
 CONTACT US AT THE ADDRESS BELOW. WE WILL  
 BE GLAD TO ASSIST YOU IN ANY WAY WE CAN.  
 P.S. MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO: MCL OF PA, INC.

Paul R. Thomas, P.M.  
 Marine Corps League  
 521 E. 12th Street  
 Harrisburg, Pa. 17102

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# MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

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TAKE A BUS TRIP TO MARINE BARRACKS, WASHINGTON, D.C. WITH THE CENTRAL BUCKS DETACHMENT, ON 21 JUNE 1991 TO SEE AND ENJOY THE EVENING PARADE, WITH UNITED STATES MARINE BAND, THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS DRUM AND BUGLE CORPS, THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS SILENT DRILL TEAM.

## THE PACKAGE INCLUDES

ROUNDRIP MOTERCOACH TRANSPORTATION  
BUFFET DINNER AT THE CHIEF'S CLUB NAVY YARD, WASHINGTON, D.C.  
CHECK OUT SOME OF THE MUSEUMS OF THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION ON THE MALL, WASHINGTON MONUMENT, THE CAPITAL, LINCOLN MEMORIAL, VIETNAM MEMORIAL, ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY, NAVY MEMORIAL, MARINE CORPS MEMORIAL, AND MORE AT YOUR PLEASURE.

ALL FOR ONLY \$ 35.00 PER PERSON

THE BUS WILL LEAVE FROM DOYLESTOWN, PA. AREA, 8:00 A.M.

LEAVE FROM WASHINGTON, D.C. AT 12:00 MIDNIGHT.

RESERVATION \$ 20.00 PER PERSON BY 4 MAY 1991  
FINAL PAYMENT IS DUE 20 JUNE 1991

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NAME \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

AMOUNT ENCLOSED \_\_\_\_\_

CHECKS PAYMENT TO CENTRAL BUCKS DET. MCL

MAIL TO MICHAEL W. WALDRON  
619 CHAUCER COURT  
WASMINSTER, PA. 18974  
215-672-7095

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# Army's truck mystery is solved: See Marine recruiter for details

*From Inquirer Wire Services*

**EASTERN SAUDI ARABIA** — A couple of days ago, the U.S. Army conceded that 50 of its trucks had disappeared from a depot in Saudi Arabia, raising fears that they had been stolen by terrorists planning to use them to infiltrate American bases.

In response to the disappearances, sentries went on heightened alert at U.S. bases and the military police launched an investigation.

Well, forget the terrorists. Blame the Marines.

Yesterday, Maj. Gen. Robert Johnston told reporters that there had been a breakthrough in the investigation:

Ten of the missing vehicles had been located, and most of the others apparently had been "borrowed" by the Marines.

Johnston, a Marine himself, offered no further details about the mystery, but the explanation may lie in two great American military traditions.

One is the ability of resourceful supply sergeants to cope with shortages by "borrowing" equipment from other units, even though everyone is supposedly fighting on the same side.

One popular technique is called a "midnight requisition" because it is usually carried out under cover of darkness.

The other explanation may lie in the great rivalry between the U.S. Army and the Marine Corps, a rivalry that is drummed into Army and Marine recruits during basic training and is fought out in the halls of

the Pentagon, enlisted men's clubs and American Legion and VFW Halls across the country.

This rivalry often translates into, eh, friendly debates over which service really won World War II.

And if the Army every gets those 35 trucks back, it better keep a tight guard on them. The Marines may want them back.

## Palau remembers World War II battles

By SYD KRONISH

World War II battles in the Pacific islands are still remembered vividly by many of the people who live there.

The Republic of Palau, a U.S. Trust Territory southeast of the Philippines, has issued an attached block of four 45-cent stamps commemorating the participation of U.S. combat forces there during the war.

In 1944, the Palau Islands were designated as stepping stones for the attack on the Philippines led by Gen. Douglas MacArthur. Ground, sea and air forces were victorious in carrying out the battle plans.

Depicted on the stamps are a U.S. B-24 bomber flying over Peleliu Island; a U.S. Navy LCI craft launching a rocket attack against the Japanese defending Peleliu; the U.S. 1st Marine Division attacking the Japanese on Peleliu; and Palauan children greeting an Army infantryman after the U.S. capture of the island chain in 1944.

Remnants of the war — disabled aircraft, sunken ships, crumbling military buildings, artillery pieces and even the bones of Japanese soldiers in caves — can still be found throughout the island.

These issues are available at local stamp dealers.



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 Incorporated by Act of Congress  
 August 4, 1937

Temporary Membership Card and Receipt  
 This will certify that

\_\_\_\_\_ is a member in good standing of the

\_\_\_\_\_ This card is good for a period of sixty days from \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's Signature

Amount



### Application for Membership Marine Corps League

(Date) \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Date of Enlistment/Commissioning \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Discharge/Separation/Retirement \_\_\_\_\_ SSN# \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Application—New ( ) Renewal ( ) Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

[ ] I hereby apply for membership in the **CENTRAL BUCKS** Detachment, Marine Corps League, and enclose \$ 30.00 for one year's membership.\*

—OR—

[ ] I hereby apply for membership in the Marine Corps League as a Member-at-large (MAL), and enclose \$25.00 for one year's membership.\*

\*Includes subscription to MARINE CORPS LEAGUE MAGAZINE

I hereby certify that I have served as a U.S. Marine for more than 90 days, that the character of my service has been honorable, and if discharged, I am in receipt of an honorable discharge. By signature on this application, I hereby agree to provide proof of honorable discharge/service upon request.

(Sponsor—where applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

(Applicant's signature) \_\_\_\_\_

Upon completion, turn into your Detachment sponsor with required payment. Applicants for MAL Membership, remit this form with check or money order in the amount of \$25.00 to: National Headquarters, Marine Corps League, P.O. Box 3070, Merrifield, VA 22116.

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