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## Criteria for New Medals Announced

The Department of Defense recently announced the creation of two campaign medals for Afghanistan and Iraq.

Presidential Executive Order 13363 established the Afghanistan and Iraq Campaign Medals to recognize members who made specific sacrifices and significant

contributions in these areas of operation.

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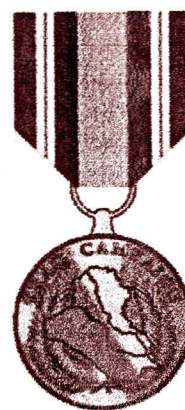
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The area of eligibility encompasses all land area of the country of Iraq, and the contiguous water area out to 12 nautical miles, and all air spaces above the land area of Iraq and above the contiguous water area out to 12 nautical miles.

Service members must have been assigned, attached or mobilized to units operating in these areas of eligibility for 30 consecutive days or for 60 non-consecutive days or meet one of the following criteria:

- \* Be engaged in combat during an armed engagement, regardless of the time in the area of eligibility; or
- \* While participating in an operation or on official duties, is wounded or injured and requires medical evacuation from the area of eligibility; or
- \* While participating as a regularly assigned air crewmember flying sorties into, out of, within or over the area of eligibility in direct support of the military operations; each day of operations counts as one day of eligibility.

Service members qualified for the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal by reasons of service between Oct. 24, 2001, and April 30, 2005, in an area for which the Afghanistan Campaign Medal was subsequently authorized and between

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# COMMANDANT'S COLUMN

Marines,

Finally the election and installation of Detachment Officers is a done deal. Now we can concentrate on running and building our Detachment with the upcoming fund raisers, parades, conventions, shooting matches, and whatever else comes up during the course of the year.

I'm pleased to repeat as your Commandant for another year. It truly was a pleasure serving you in this capacity. Once again I'll try to bring honor to the Detachment and the office I represent. Joining me this year is **Senior Vice Commandant Jim Powell** who did a fine job as Junior Vice Commandant, and **Jim McComb** taking over as the new Junior Vice Commandant. The slate of other elected and appointed officers remains the same. The installation held on April 13th went off without a hitch. We even managed to get some business accomplished. It was indeed an honor to have as the Installing Officer the Department of Pennsylvania **Commandant Tom Tanner** and his Staff consisting of the **Junior Past Commandant John Moyse**, **Chief of Staff Ray Devlin**, and **Southeast Division Vice Commandant Dick Kondash**. It was great having them on board. We also had a post meeting food feast provided by **Past Commandant Bob Sundling** and **Peggy Sundling**. It was yummy! Thanks again Bob and Peg.

Before I go any further, due to the events leading up to the election and installation of officers and other Detachment concerns, I failed to mention that

## LISTEN UP!

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we brought on board a new **Associate Member Corey Fisher**. Corey is the son of **Iris Fisher** and everyone who knows **Past Commandant Don Gee** also knows Iris. It was also fitting and proper that Don would have the privilege of administering the Oath of Membership to Corey. We welcome Corey to the Detachment.

Saturday, April 16, was highway cleanup day. We had a good turnout of members beginning with breakfast at Tilley's restaurant paid for by the Detachment which is one of the benefits of showing up.

We're gearing up for our A-Day fund raiser at Delaware Valley College on Saturday and Sunday, April 23 & 24. **Activities Coordinator Budd Pearce, PC**, tells me that we have two prime lots which will hold a lot of cars. This is

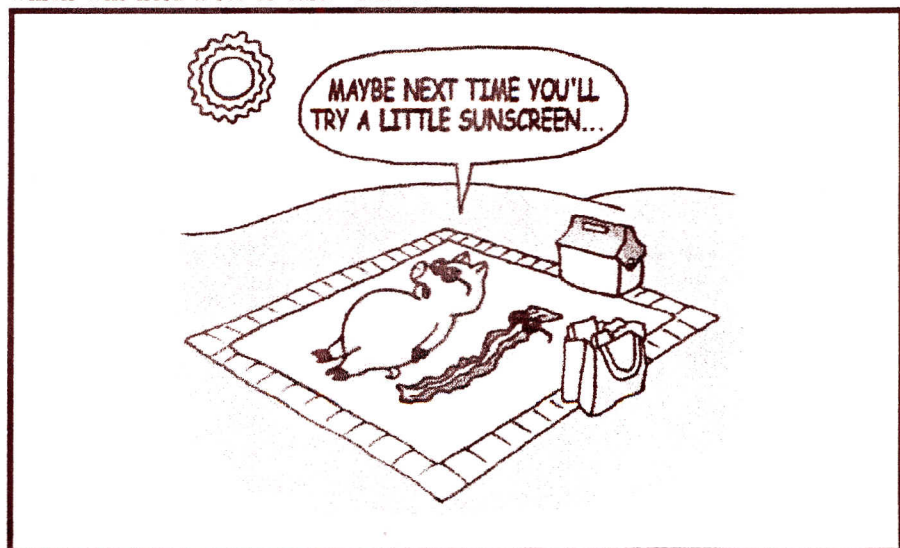
our chance to rake in some nice bucks as long as the weather holds up (no rain) and we have enough members to man the lots. We really need you out there. Give us whatever you can. Again the Detachment will provide food and beverages.

Looking ahead, in May we have our other big fund raiser at the State Store in Doylestown on Memorial Day weekend. We will need volunteers on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Let Budd or myself know if and when you can be available.

Also keep selling those Youth Scholarship Raffle tickets as the Detachment gets 40 cents from the sale of every ticket.

Semper Fi,

*Bill Miller*



## NEW CAMPAIGN MEDALS

(From Page 1)

March 19, 2003, and Feb. 28, 2005, in an area for which the Iraq Campaign Medal was subsequently authorized, shall remain qualified for that medal.

Upon application, any such service member may be awarded the Afghanistan or Iraq Campaign Medal in lieu of the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal for such service. No service member shall be entitled to all three medals for the same act, achievement or period of service. The awarding authority for the Afghanistan and Iraq cam-

campaign medals shall be the prescribed by the member's respective military service regulations. Both medals may be awarded posthumously.

Only one award of the Afghanistan Campaign Medal and Iraq Campaign Medal may be authorized for any individual. Service stars are not prescribed.

The Afghanistan Campaign Medal shall be positioned below the Kosovo Campaign Medal and above the Iraq Campaign Medal. The Iraq Campaign Medal shall be positioned below the Afghanistan Campaign Medal and above the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal.



# Highlights

The regular meeting of the Central Bucks Detachment #636, Inc., of the Marine Corps League of Pennsylvania, Inc., was held April 13, 2005, at the Albert E. Atkinson Legion Post #210, 315 North St., Doylestown, PA.

There were 19 members present including all officers and 4 guests

. Distinguished members in attendance included **Past Commandants Don Gee, Budd Pearce and Bob Sundling; Past Commandant of the Department of New Jersey Ed Hoth;** and **Marine of the Year Bill Jerrom.**

The **Minutes** of the March Meeting were unanimously accepted.

**The Paymasters Report** was delivered by **Paymaster Bob Cody.** The Paymasters Report was unanimously accept.

**Sick Call: Marine Ray Krout** is under the weather and could not attend the meeting.

**Guests: Department of Pennsylvania Commandant Tom Tanner, Department Junior Past Commandant John Moyse, Department Chief of Staff Ray Devlin, and Department Southeast Division Vice Commandant Dick Kondash.**

## OFFICER REPORTS

**Commandant Bill Miller** reported he had received correspondence from the Bucks County Department of Veterans Affairs announcing a Golf Outing on May 26. He also reported the Detachment had been notified of a parade in Lahaska on May 28. Senior Vice Commandant Don Gee, PC, reported the Detachment strength at 52 including 21 Life Members, 26 Regular Members, 4 Associate Members, and 1 Honorary Member.

**Junior Vice Commandant Jim Powell** reminded the members about the Department Raffle tickets and announced more tickets are available for anyone needing them.

**Adjutant Gary Smith** reported about miscellaneous correspondence he had received.

**Judge Advocate Bill Jerrom** reported the Detachment had no legal problems.

**Sergeant-at-Arms Bill Mickelson** reported there had been no requests for the Detachment Color Guard since the last meeting.

**Chaplain Ed Hoth, PDC,** reported his services were available but not requested since the last meeting.

**Quartermaster Bob Duff** reported he had nothing new in the Locker Box.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**YOUNG MARINES--Young Marines Liaison Bob Sundling, PC,** reported the Liberty Young Marines Unit has scheduled a trip to the Marine Barracks at 8th & I on Aug. 26. He also reported the problems with some of the young people's parents had been resolved. The dissidents had resigned from the Unit and were attempting to form a new unit in Montgomery County.

**RIFLE & PISTOL TEAM--Rifle & Pistol Team member Budd Pearce, PC,** reported the Department Pistol Match will be held June 3-5.

**ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY--Adopt-A-Highway Coordinator Budd Pearce, PC,** announced the highway clean-up will be Saturday, April 16. Members participating in the activity are to meet at Tilleys Restaurant at 8 a.m. for breakfast on the Detachment prior to the clean-up.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS--**The Public Relations Officer reminded the members the deadline for submission of material for the May issue is April 20.

**A-DAY FUND RAISER--A-Day Parking Coordinator Budd Pearce, PC,** reminded the members the A-Day Parking Fund-Raiser is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, April 23 and 24. He will be calling members to enlist their help in manning the two major lots--Childs Mobile Homes & Ironhill. He also reminded the members the Detachment is scheduled to hold a fund-raiser over Memorial Day Weekend at the State Store in Cross Keys.

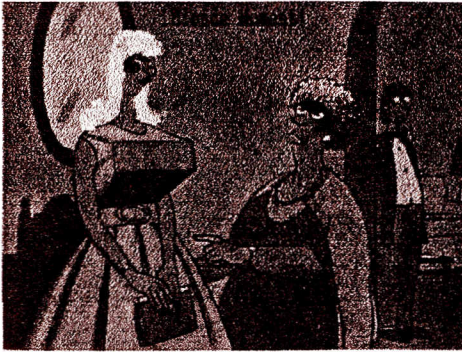
## NEW BUSINESS

The Department staff installed the officers who will lead the Detachment for the coming year. Installed were **Commandant Bill Miller, Senior Vice Commandant Jim Powell, Junior Vice Commandant Jim McComb, Adjutant Gary Smith, Paymaster Bob Cody, Judge Advocate Bill Jerrom, Sergeant-at-Arms Bill Mickelson, Chaplain Ed Hoth, and Quartermaster Bob Duff.**

**There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned until 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 10, 2005.**



## A BLONDE MOMENT!



“Dearie, the next time you decide to stuff your bra with Kleenex, take them out of the box first”

## **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**A-DAY PARKING  
FUND-RAISER  
23-24 APRIL**

**PASSOVER  
25 APRIL**

**MOTHERS DAY  
8 MAY**

**DETACHMENT MEETING  
10 MAY**

**ARMED FORCES DAY  
21 MAY**

**STATE STORE  
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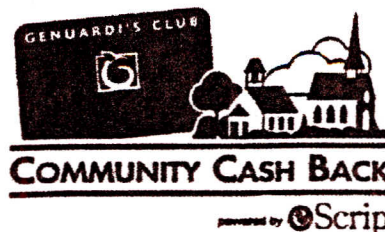
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# Purpose

Doylstown Township is in the process of planning a "Community Service Memorial."

We are very excited about the township's plans to create a permanent memorial as a tribute to ordinary citizens who have contributed in an extraordinary way to the community and their country.

This generic symbol, which grew from a simple request to erect a monument to a decorated war hero, will recognize those people who have fought in war to protect our freedoms as well as those who have helped make their community a better place to live, and will be a perpetual enduring monument.

Members of the Committee are volunteers dedicated to constructing a fitting tribute to the Township's citizens. No one receives a salary from the Committee. The Committee is comprised of veterans and patriotic non-veterans.

# The Monument

The Warburg Monument, cast in bronze, is four feet wide by eight feet high

with dozens of faces depicting unnamed soldiers, police officers, firefighters, nurses, doctors, teachers, public officials, volunteers, and others.

The sculpture is designed by Ashby Saunders, who created the "Sack Race" sculpture that stands in Central Park.

The monument will be placed in a landscaped site surrounded by brick and granite walkways, granite benches, a 25-foot flagpole, and specially selected foliage creating a serene, reflective setting.

# Fund-Raising

Funds for the memorial will come from individuals and organizations.

Individual donations are in the form of distinctive "Commemorative Bricks" (2" x 4" x 8") which can be purchased for \$100 each. They may be inscribed with three lines of 14 characters per line and granite "Commemorative Plaques" (2" x 12" x 12") for \$400 each with nine lines of 19 characters per line.

The bricks and plaques will be tastefully placed around the monument in a walkway pattern.

Due to anticipated demand, orders must be on a "first-come, first-served" basis.

To take advantage of this opportunity simply complete the subscription form (on reverse side) and mail to the address listed with your check or money order.

# Committee Members

Harrison (Woody) Woodruff  
Chairman



Ashby Saunders  
Sculptor



E. Thomas Scarborough  
Supervisor Liaison



Susan Steinberg



Tom Swartley



Don H. Gee



## A Marine's 'Living Will'

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (fill in the blank), being of sound mind and body, do not wish to be kept alive indefinitely by artificial means.

Under no circumstances should my fate be put in the hands of peckerwood politicians who couldn't pass ninth-grade biology if their lives depended on it.

If a reasonable amount of time passes and I fail to sit up and ask for a cold beer, it should be presumed that I won't do so ever again. When such a determination is reached, I hereby instruct my spouse, children and attending physicians to pull the plug, reel in the tubes and call it a day.

Under no circumstances shall the members of the Legislature enact a special law to keep me on life-support machinery. It is my wish that these boneheads mind their own damned business, and pay attention instead to the health, education and future of the millions of Americans who aren't in a permanent coma and who nonetheless may be in need of nourishment.

Under no circumstances shall any politicians butt into this case. I don't care how many fundamentalist votes they're trying to scrounge for their run for the presidency in 2008, it is my wish that they play politics with someone else's life and leave me alone to die in peace.

I couldn't care less if a hundred religious zealots send e-mails to legislators in which they pretend to care about me. I don't know these people and I certainly haven't authorized them to preach and/or crusade on my behalf. They should mind their own damned business, too.

If any of my family goes against my wishes and turns my case into a political cause, I hereby promise to come back from the grave and make his or her existence a living hell.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dated \_\_\_\_\_  
 Witnessed \_\_\_\_\_

## GOODIES FOR THE TROOPS

**Peggy Sundling**, who continues to send "Goodies to the Troops," has provided a sampling of items which are needed for the shipments. She cautions, "NO CHOCOLATE!!" Items include: Moist Wipes--with and without aloe (some people are allergic); Beef Jerky/Slim Jims--very popular; Hard Candy--no lollipops; Lotions and Moisturizers; Lip Balm; Chewing Gum; Crackers/Snacks/Granola Bars - in individual packages for easy toting; Fruit Snacks/Raisins--in individual packages; Writing Tablets/Envelopes/Pens; Crossword Puzzles; Magazines - military, automotive, hunting, etc. (used are fine); Drink Mixes - individual envelopes. **Thanks for your continued support!**

*THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO BROUGHT STUFF FOR THE TROOPS. MORE PEOPLE BROUGHT STUFF LAST NIGHT (APR. 13) THAN EVER BEFORE AND IT'S REALLY APPRECIATED. RAY KROUT'S DAUGHTER MADE A SPECIAL TRIP TO THE LEGION LAST NIGHT BECAUSE RAY WANTED TO MAKE SURE STUFF WENT TO THE TROOPS. THAT IMPRESSED THE HELL OUT OF ME. THANKS--BOB SUNDLING*

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