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NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 1995

MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER DETACHMENT MEETING

The scheduled Detachment meeting was held on Wednesday, September 13, 1995 at the American Legion Home on North Street, in Doylestown, Pa.

There were eighteen (18) members present including all officers . The Sgt-at Arms was unable to attend however, Steve Weir replaced him for the evening

Past Commandants Frank Yohe and Bill Plant were recognized along with visitor, Ed Hoth, Past N.E. Div. Vice.

An application for membership renewal was received from Jessie Naihe, of Chalfont, Pa., and was accepted following a vote by the Detachment members.

MINUTES

Minutes of the August meeting were accepted and approved as written.

PAYMASTER'S REPORT

The paymaster's report was accepted as printed and distributed at the meeting.

AUDIT

Jim Marckstein reported that the Detachment books were audited on August 8, 1995 and everything was found to be in good shape. He cautioned that receipts should be obtained for anything that is purchased and that checks should be issued by the paymaster rather than cash expenditures, whenever possible.

SICK BAY

Budd Pearce's mother-in-law was in the hospital for tests but they haven't been able to isolate the specific problem so she may have more tests later.

Marlin Miller's wife is having tests to determine if she possibly has some heart problems.

Joe Hazen, a member of the Detachment's Rifle and Pistol team, is going to have a MRI on his hip to find out what is wrong.

Don Parzanese Jr. has fully recovered from his hernia operation.

CORRESPONDENCE

Jim Conover, of the CB Detachment , has requested a transfer to a detachment that is forming in Flemington, N.J. It is possible that a few others from New Jersey may also request a transfer.

World War II Appreciation Days will be held Friday September 15 and Saturday, September 16, 1995. The CB Detachment will provide a color guard for the dance to be held at Central Bucks East High School on Friday evening. Marlin Miller will represent the CB Detachment at ceremony in Doylestown, on Saturday. Bill Plant requested six volunteers to assist people in wheelchairs to travel from the Briarleaf Nursing Home on Belmont Avenue to the Bucks County Courthouse in Doylestown at 11AM.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SR. VICE - BILL ROSENBERGER

As of this date the Detachment has thirty-nine (39) regular members, fourteen (14) life members and seven (7) associate members for a total of sixty (60) members plus three (3) delinquent.

The Rifle team will be at Branch Valley on September 17th for a competition..
On October 13-14-15 they will travel to Indiantown Gap for the annual State competition..

JR. VICE - MIKE WALDRON

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY

The next highway cleanup is scheduled for January 13, 1995. Addition details will appear in the next newsletter.

The Marine Corps Birthday Ball will be on Saturday, November 11, 1995 at the Orion Club, Willow Grove NAS. A vote was taken on the question of an open bar versus the hour before dinner. The result was 10-5 in favor of an open bar all night. Mike will check with the club manager to find out if the quoted price of \$35.00/each will still hold.

Tony Parzanese will check to see if it will be possible to have photo's taken at the ball and how much it will cost. He will report at the next meeting.

CHAPEL OF FOUR CHAPLAINS - No report

YOUNG MARINES - LARRY SCHEETZ

The Young Marines held regular drills at MAG 49, Trenton, Philadelphia Navy Yard , Folsom and Lancaster VFW. Encampments were also held at Ft Indiantown Gap, Army National Guard in Spring City and at Peco Park.

They assisted with the Air Show at the Willow Grove NAS . And traveled and marched with the USMC Drum and Bugle Corps and Silent Drill Team in Atlantic City 31July95.

On 2 September 95 the Bux-Mont Young Marines joined with other Young Marines from Washington, D.C. and New York to participate in the V-J Day Ceremonies held at the site of the USS Intrepid Air, Land and Sea Museum in New York City. There were several military and civilian dignitaries present as well as ambassadors and representatives from each country involved in the Pacific Theater. The Young Marines stood side by side with Marines from MAG 49 at flag stations representing each of those countries.

POW-MIA

Bill Plant spoke about an article in the September issue of the Legion Magazine concerning World War II prisoners that were never released by Russia.

FUND RAISING

On Thursday, 11/9 and Friday 11/10 there will be a fund raising table at the State Liquor Store in Doylestown, Pa. There will be a sign up sheet at the September and October meeting. We need teams of two, for a four hour shift. Not much to ask to help raise some much needed funds.

GOOD OF THE LEAGUE

Bill Haas related that it seemed strange that we have some difficulty getting volunteers for the fund raising table outside the state store but we always seem to have a great turnout for the highway trash pick up days. Somehow, it doesn't seem to make a lot of sense.

We seem to have enough ads for the newsletter at the present time so no more letters will be sent out for a while.

Certificates of Appreciation will be presented to John Knoll and Lou Fabian for allowing the Detachment to use their properties for a parking fund raiser during the auto show at Delaware Valley College, in August.

Paul Caprio will work out details for a Flea Market in the Spring. More on this later.

On October 13th , World War II veterans will be recognized at a halftime ceremony. Next newsletter will have more on this.

**THE NEXT REGULAR DETACHMENT MEETING WILL BE 11OCTOBER95 (1930)
AT THE AMERICAN LEGION HOME ON NORTH STREET IN DOYLESTOWN, PA.**

MARINE CORPS TRIVIA QUIZ



1. Which Marine Corps Commandant was wounded six times and also gassed during World War I?
2. How many Chinese Communists were killed at the Chosin Reservoir?
3. Who was the only Marine Corps Combat Correspondent to win the Medal of Honor?
4. What was the first Marine Corps motto?
5. Where did Gunnery Sergeant Dan Daly earn his first dal of Honor?

Answers in Next Month's Newsletter

ANSWERS TO LAST MONTH'S QUIZ

1. The Germans in Belleau Wood, France, during WWI, were the first to call Marines, "Devil Dogs."
2. The Korean Conflict began in June 1950.
3. Lieutenant Colonel Anthony "Mad Anthony" Gale was the only Marine Commandant convicted at a General Court-Martial and expelled from the Corps.
4. The Uniform Code of Military Justice was established in 1951.
5. Marine recon-pilots in Vietnam were known by the code name, "The Yankee Team."

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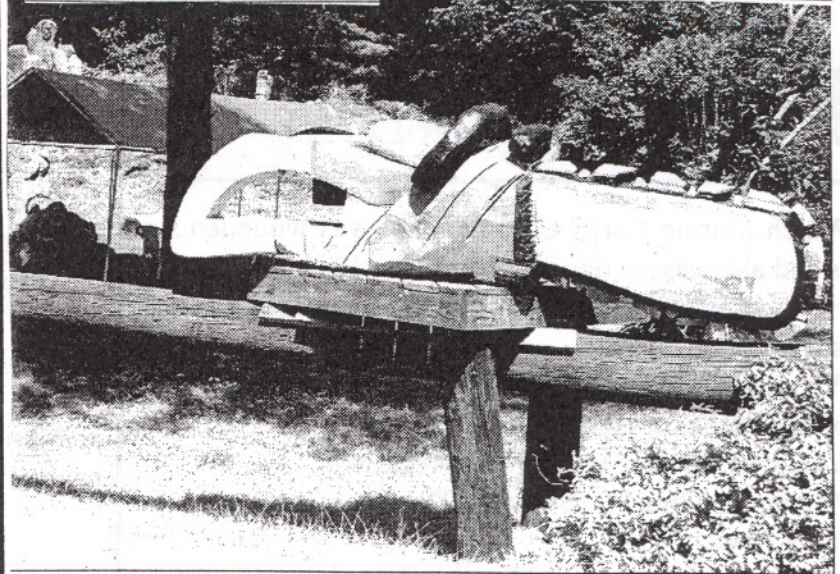
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- #10 It's 12 Midnight, you wonder where he's at, but don't worry about it.
- #9 They Believe the saying "If you can't salute it, shoot it" is a law.
- #8 Their idea of Liberty is a quick meal, a quick shower, & a six pack of beer.
- #7 The good times were boot camp, and sleeping in a ditch.
- #6 The Marine Corp hymn puts them in the "mood".
- #5 You notice they're a little grayer a little older but they're salute is sharper than ever.
- #4 Their idea of an Anniversary present is a wind chime made out of M-16 casing.
- #3 You've been married 10 years & they still don't know the names of the children.
- #2 They never notice the new hair doo or outfit but can spot a recruit at 500 paces.
- #1 They kiss you good night, then quietly whisper SEMPER FI!

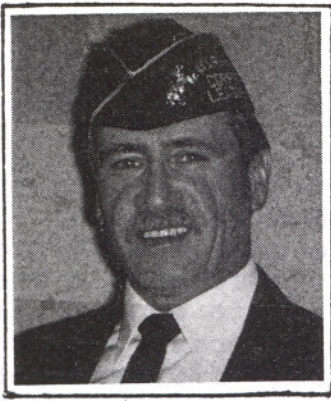
THE PHILADELPHIA INQUIRER

Thursday, September 7, 1995



For The Inquirer / JILL ANNA GREENBERG

The Texas Chainsaw Massacrer does not live here. The sign on Rte. 202 in Buckingham indicates sawyer William Plant's business.



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

Marines,

I want to start off by thanking the 30+% of you who turn out for all our meetings and affairs. You are what makes being your commandant worthwhile! There are few, if any, detachments in the Department of PA that can boast of a turn out in July of almost 50% of their detachment strength. Believe me when I say that you Marines make me very proud! Proud to be a member of the Central Bucks Detachment and especially proud to have been elected your commandant three years running. Thank you!!!!!!!

Mike Waldron has sent out the reservation forms for this year's Birthday Ball...GET YOURS IN TODAY!!! I understand that the price is a mere \$32.50. This price includes dining and dancing for the entire evening. An open bar is also included for the same low price. Think about bringing a friend, or two, with you this year. After all, how many places can you get a deal like this, and camaraderie too? I hope to see each and every one of you there this year!

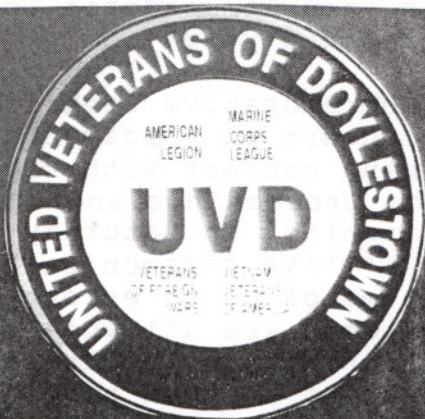
The Detachment participated in the WWII Commemorative weekend that was held on 15 & 16 September. There was a concert on Friday night at the CB East High School. This was a big band concert with the Al Raymond orchestra. Our color guard led the proceedings and our flags remained on the stage throughout the evening. On Saturday our detachment was represented at the commemorative ceremonies by Marlin Miller. Bill Plant had arranged for some of us to escort some WWII Vets to the ceremonies. These gentlemen are all wheelchair bound and would not be able to attend if not for this help. It was an honor for me to be able to do this small thing for men that did so very much for their families, friends and country. I salute each of these veterans for a job well done! Thank you to all who helped out on various things throughout this commemorative event.

Our rifle team is ready for Ft. Indiantown Gap. This year's shoot is scheduled for 13,14,15 October. Knowing that area, we could be dying of the heat, or brushing away the snow, but all will be worth it! This is a lot more to most than just a competition. This has become an annual weekend out with the guys (make that MARINES!). So much is gained by those who participate that the cost doesn't matter at all. Some of the detachments choose to stay in a barracks for the weekend. I'm sorry but that is a little too much weekend with the Marines for me. I'm quite happy that our team stays at Paul's Motel. We get some sleep and I think that it helps our scores a bit too. We still get into the camaraderie and we don't have to listen to all the mid-night runs to the head. I hope that a few more of you decide to join us next year, there are still some openings on the teams, or we'll start another one.

Don't forget that we have our fund raiser table coming up on 9 & 10 November. This is one of our largest sources of operating funds. Please make every effort to come out and lend a hand. The work is easy, just say hello to a few people and hand them a little flag, as a thank you for their contribution. Any amount of time that you can spare would be greatly appreciated. Contact me (343-5609) or Bill Rosenberger (348-7275) and get your name on the list of volunteers. I know they say to never volunteer for anything, but this is not just anything. The Detachment NEEDS YOUR HELP!!!

I am working on getting together with the Young Marines for our November meeting. I, and others, think that it would be a great idea to join with these fine young people in celebration of the Birthday of our Corps. Some of these young Marines will go on to be the Marines of tomorrow and they deserve our support. I will have full details on this special meeting in October. I surely hope that you can make it to this meeting, if we get it worked out. These kids are terrific and they really get a kick out of meeting and talking to us "Old Salts".

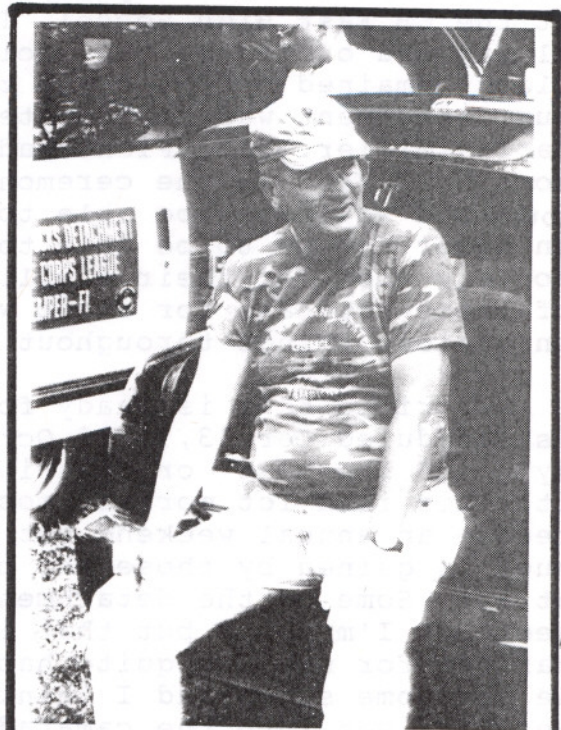
That's all I have for now. I'll see you at the regular meeting on 11 October.



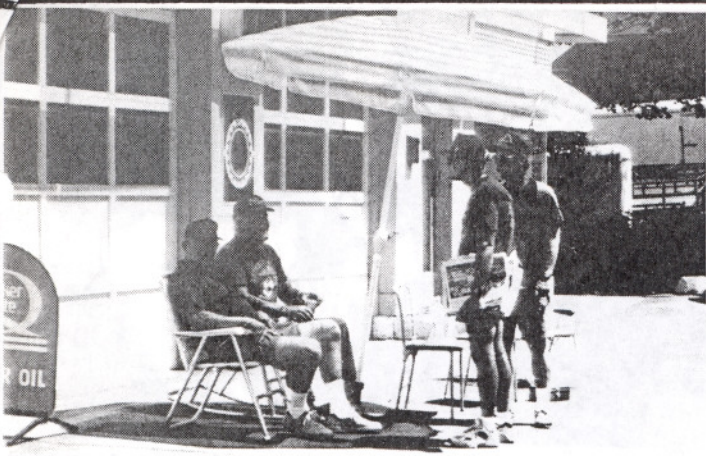
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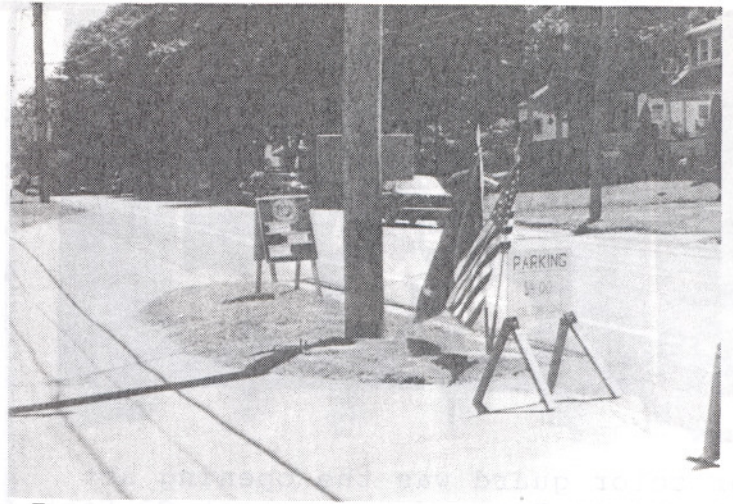
The dedication of the United Veterans of Doylestown sign took place a few weeks ago. This was paid for by the UVD with the proceeds from the WWII celebration held in May.



Joe Hazen takes a break after the recent rifle match in Towanda



The volunteers for the parking lots on the day of the car show try to stay cool.

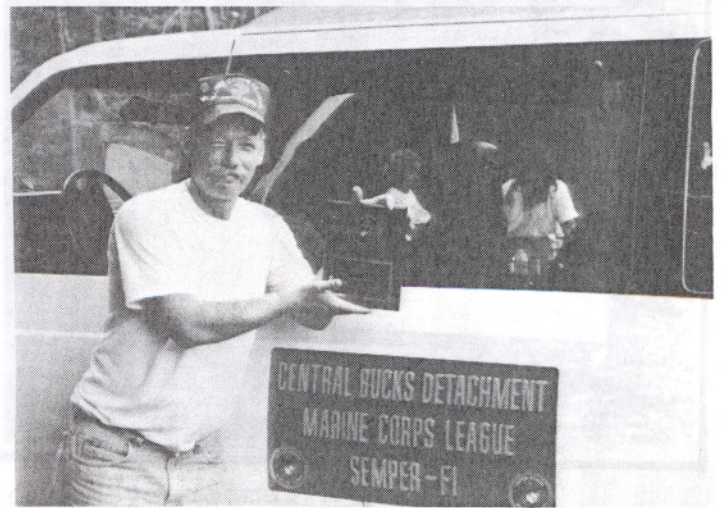


The heat slowed down everything, notice the lack of traffic on Rt 202 for a Sunday afternoon.

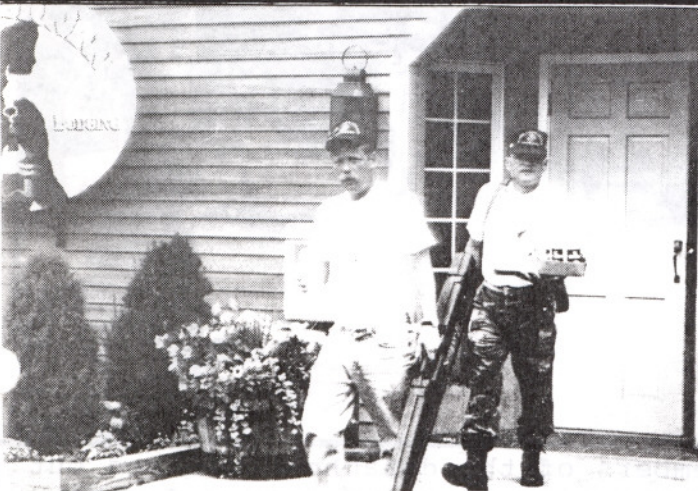
The detachment rifle team ventured to Towanda for a rifle match in July. It was even hot up there



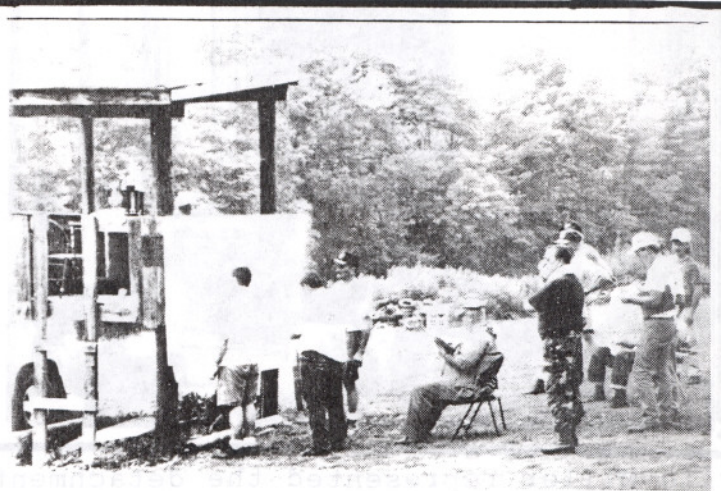
The detachment rifle team: 1 to r Bob Randle, Ernie Ortiz, Sr. Vice Bill Rosenberger, Joe Hazen and Paul Caprio. Commandant Pearce was behind the camera.



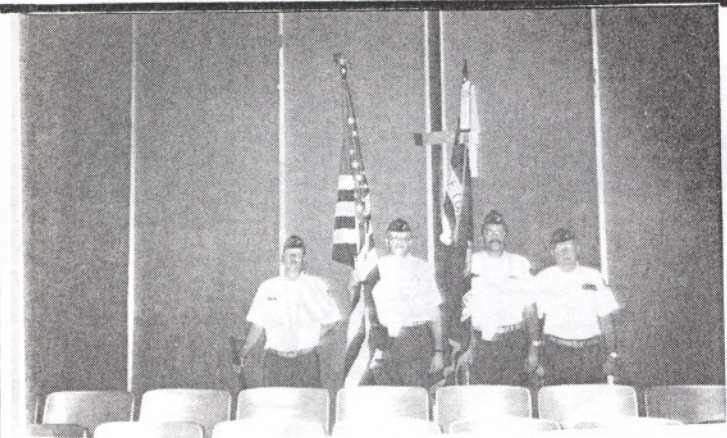
Sr. Vice Bill Rosenberger holds the plaque the team won at the match.



Rifles, check...Beer, check...ok, we are ready!



Waiting for the scores to be posted.

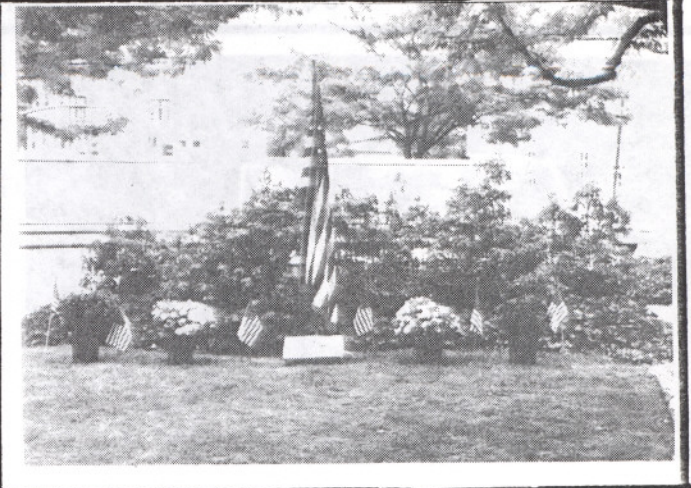
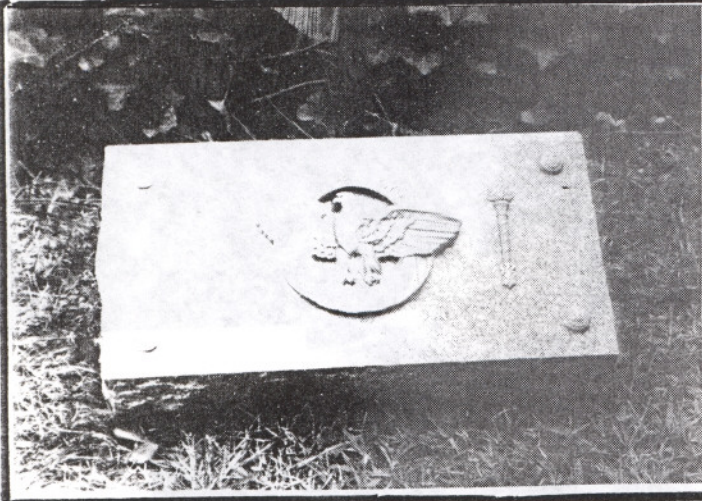


Our color guard was the opening act for the Al Raymond concert at CB East on 15 September.

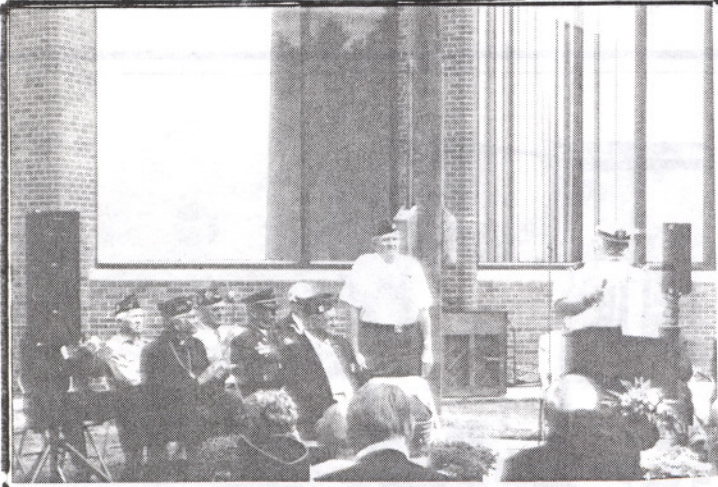


Commandant Pearce carries the colors to the stage. The concert was to benefit the WWII Memorial fund.

The dedication ceremonies, for the site of the future WWII Monument, included a full days worth of activities. Included were displays of military items, speeches and great food.



A temporary marker was placed on the site of the future monument.



Marlin Miller represented the detachment on the dias.



Members of the detachment helped out by wheeling disabled vets a few blocks to the ceremony.

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