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Commandant's Message...

This month will mark the one year anniversary of one of the darkest days in our country's history. Over the past two hundred and twenty six years America has had its share of both joy and sadness. On September 11th, 2001, we were attacked by a largely unknown and unseen enemy. They struck at the very soul of our country. Their targets were our major financial districts, the headquarters of our military and targeted the center of our government.

On that terrible Tuesday morning, as millions of us watched with total disbelief, these horrible scenes unfolded on our television. We experienced the full range of emotions, from shock, anger, revulsion and yes even joy when there was a rescue of someone. The sight of those planes crashing into the twin towers, or the gaping fiery hole in the Pentagon and the

wreckage of flight 93 in a field in Somerset, PA; these images will forever be in our minds.

From that terrible day came a new awaking of American patriotism and sense of national identity. We are reexamining our foreign policy, national security, immigration laws and so much more. There is a new appreciation of our military and more of an understanding of their needs.

We must never forget these sights, or the more than three thousand fellow Americans who died at the hands of these cowards. We must not forget all the heroes of these events.

All Americans must demand that our military is the best trained, best equipped, and best compensated in the world, for we are the world's peacekeepers. Also, our veterans must be given the respect and benefits they so unselfishly earned.

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Semper Fi,
Stephen D. Neri



From the Jr. Vice

Wagon Sales: As we all know, we are in full swing with the wagon sales, and things are going really well. We have a little over three months left to go, so let's really give it a big push. As always, WE NEED MORE PEOPLE TO HELP! It really is not that hard – the different people you get to meet are really a pleasure. Remember that this is for our Detachment. I know myself that when I donate to whatever cause is needed, it makes me feel good that I had a part in raising some of this money. So let's get together and continue our outstanding efforts! We were given permission to hold our raffle at a car show in the area on September 29th. It can be a big event for our fund-raiser. I know it's on a Sunday, and I am a great Eagles fan, but there is always a VCR.

The Ad Book: Things are going well, and I expect to see more ads over the next couple of weeks. Remember, if we all can sell just two ads, it would be great. It should be no problem to get the people who purchased ads last year to take another ad this year. **BUT PLEASE MAKE SURE I RECEIVE THESE ADS,** because if it goes through another channel, it might not get posted. I need to account for and give a receipt for every ad we get. So mail them to the Detachment P. O. Box or to me, or give them to me when you see me, or you may call me.

I want to personally thank all those who have helped me in making this all happen. Without those members' help it could not be done!

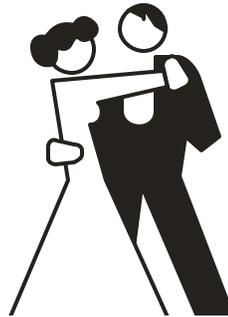


Semper Fi !

Jim Alleva

Jr. Vice Commandant

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From The Sr. Vice

Even though it is still summer and we're in a heat wave, it's really time to think about the Ball.

Time is flying by, and the first thing you know, Saturday, November 9th

will be here and that will be when we will have our big event for the year.

The cost for the Ball will be the same as last year \$65.00 per couple, \$35.00 per single! It will be at Paxon Hollow Country Club in Marple Township. Make your checks payable to the Marine Corps League. See me or send to me or our Commandant, Steve Neri.

"I personally guarantee a really great time!"

Semper Fi
Dave Brimble

"SCUTTLEBUTT" BOOSTER CLUB



Help support our newsletter and become a member of the Booster Club! Your \$10.00 contribution helps offset the cost of publication and postage.

We wish to thank our current Boosters, for with their assistance we are able to continue our award-winning newsletter! If you are interested in being a "Scuttlebutt" Booster, please see Bob Spano.

AUGUST BOOSTERS

Jim Donahue, Bill Negle, Joe Mealy, and Dot & Craig Allen.

Thank you boosters!

Semper Fi
Bob Spano, Paymaster

Looking Ahead

DETACHMENT EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

- 03 Detachment General Meeting – 1930 hours
- 07 Wagon detail ticket sales
- 08 Hero Scholarship Flea Market - 0900 – 1600
Delaware County Community College
- 08 “Jr.Troop Handler” Detachment Fund Raiser
Members’ participation & help is greatly appreciated
- 14 Picnic at Coatesville VA Hospital
- 14 Wagon detail ticket sales
- 21 Wagon detail ticket sales
- 24 Detachment Staff Meeting – 1930
- 28 Wagon detail ticket sales
- 29 Military Vehicle Show - 0900 – 1600
Franklin Mint grounds
- 29 “Jr.Troop Handler” Detachment Fund Raiser
Members’ participation & help is greatly appreciated

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS’ EVENTS

OTHER VETERANS & FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS MEETING SCHEDULES

Special Events

SEPTEMBER

- 07 Delaware County Detachment MCL
Fundraiser. 1300 hours - ?.
Family Picnic & Pig Roast.
Adults \$14, Children \$8 (All you can eat!)
- 06-08 Philadelphia Area “Stand Down” 3 day event.
Lighthouse Field, Front & Erie Sts., Phila., PA
(More on this at meeting.)

Regular Events

AmVets: Harold P. Saks Post # 118
211 N. Morton Ave., Morton, PA 19070
Meetings the first Wednesday of every month at 2000

American Legion: Broomall Post # 805
2340 W. Chester Pike, Broomall, PA
Meetings the second Wednesday of every month, at 1930

Disabled American Veterans: Delaware County Chapter # 113
Meetings are held at the AmVets Post in Morton, PA on the second Monday of every month at 2000

Other Organization’s Events (continued)

M.O.D.D. “Devil Dogs” Triboro Pound # 19, Pack of Penna.

Growls (meetings) are the second Wednesday of the month at 1930. Growls are held at the Herbert W. Best Post # 928, VFW. Located at MacDade Blvd & Kendron Avenue in Folsom, PA.

Veterans of Foreign Wars: Broomall Post # 7390

Meetings the second Thursday of the month 1930. Meetings are held at the Marple Twp. Municipal Bldg. Sproul & Springfield Rds. Broomall, PA

Knights Of Columbus: Mater Dei Council # 4129

327 N. Newtown Street Rd., Newtown Square, PA
Meetings the first Thursday of the month at 2000.

SICK CALL

Our Chaplain, Chris Bush is in the hospital due to a change in his medication.

Tom Flack is in Springfield Hospital for a few days.

Joe Mensack will be in Bryn Mawr Rehabilitation until August 24th. You can call him at 610-251-4838 or stop in for a visit.

Tom Weiman is in Fair Acres and would enjoy a visit.

Remember Jimmy "Wags" Wagner in your prayers.

George Curley, our Auxiliary president's husband, is still recuperating at home after surgery on his leg.

submitted by Sr. Vice, Dave Brimble

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*If you know of a Detachment member who is sick or in the hospital, please let me know as soon as possible.*

*Note: The Chaplain's phone number is 610.353.5569.*

**Chris Bush**  
Chaplain

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MARKSMANSHIP REPORT

This year's event was marred by the events of 9-11-01. Originally there were close to 200 shooters registered for the match. Then word came down from Indiantown Gap officials that all housing was going to be utilized by the Reserves during the time frame of our match. When team captains were notified that there would be no quarters available for them, nearly three quarters of the shooters pulled out, and the match was in jeopardy of being canceled. It ended up that there were 120, die hard, former Marines and associates that came through, stayed in nasty old motels instead of the wonderful accommodations afforded us by The Gap. The motel route is the way a couple of our team members have been going for several years. MAYBE they knew something the rest of us found out this year. NAY!

The day of the match was perfect; lots of sun and a breeze every now and again. There were only four shooters this year, where we've had as many as ten in the past. Everyone shot well and as a team, we were 8th out of 18 teams. If you are interested in individual scores, ask Jay Joseph, Paul Drinkard, Frank "Dead Eye" Greiser, or Mike Bodle, our team members, how they did. They'll be happy to share stories that will amaze you. The Match Winner was Kris Kisatsky. He shot 565 14X out of a possible 600. Congratulations and good shooting Kris!



A side note from last year's Rifle Match continues to prove that, indeed, all Marines are Riflemen first. The winner of the Match shot a perfect 200 and several members of the team he was on were off the 200 by only 1 or 2 points.

Another note is worth mentioning concerning our National Convention in Harrisburg. It was the first time this new PDD has been to a National. The Marines and friends you meet at a gathering such as this is Outstanding. What a wonderful organization we have the Honor of belonging to. It certainly did make me proud.

Semper Fi and Woof-Woof.
Shoot for the black.

Mike Bodle

The Legend Continues...

Once on retirement and free from the constraints of military discipline, Butler resumed his lecture circuit at a greater pace than before his voluntary retirement. He was a much sought after speaker from coast to coast for veterans' groups due to his military background and with civic groups for his stand on honest government. He also had time to stay at his home, here, on Goshen Road and be a celebrated local citizen.

In March 1932 he announced his candidacy in the Republican primary for the U.S. Senate and had the backing of the Republican Party. His platform was based on honest government, prohibition and for the veterans' bonus payment. This last part of his platform lost him quite a few votes due to the fiscal conservative Republican Party attitude at that time. He lost the election by an almost two-to-one vote. This dismal defeat was his first and last run for public office.

Returning to the lecture circuit he began to be more anti-big business and more of an isolationist in his speeches.

submitted by John Cook

BRITISH MILITARY FITNESS REPORTS.....

The British Military writes EPRs and Officer Fitness Reports. The form used by the Royal Navy and Royal Marines is the S-206. The following are actual excerpts taken from individual "206s".

1. His men would follow him anywhere, but only out of curiosity.
2. I would not breed from this officer.
3. This officer is really not so much of a "has-been", but more of a definitely "won't be".
4. When she opens her mouth, it seems that it is only to change whichever foot was previously there.
5. He has carried out each and every one of his duties to his entire satisfaction.
6. He would be out of his depth in a car park puddle.
7. Technically sound, but socially impossible.
8. This officer reminds me very much of a gyroscope----always spinning around at a frantic pace, but not really going anywhere.
9. This young lady has delusions of adequacy.
10. When he joined my ship, this officer was something of a granny; since then he aged considerably.

CHOSIN FEW....NEWS DIGEST....SPRING 2002

submitted by John Cook

Commandant's Report

Well, I'm happy to report our two major fundraisers are doing well. Both the "Jr. Troop Handler" and the Program Ad Book are on schedule. Remember, we need the support of ALL members to achieve our goals with both of these important projects.

As most of you know, it has been a very busy summer so far, with Flag Day, Flag Retirement Ceremony, The Patriotic Concert at Rose Tree Park, Fourth of July Parade, Korean War Anniversary Ceremony, and the Department and National Conventions. If all of those activities left you tired, just think about the dedication and unselfishness of those members who volunteer for the Military Funeral Honors detail. These men have performed between 115 - 120 of these funeral details so far this year, and in this scorching heat. I'm sincerely proud of them and the many accolades they receive, which truly brings great honor to our Detachment.

The revision of the Bylaws is complete and copies will be available at the September Meeting; the Administrative Procedures have been corrected, certified, and are now being retyped. We have made real progress on the written job descriptions for the elected officers and will then do the same for the committee chairmen's positions.

Our annual Marine Corps Ball is only a few months away. Remember to contact our Sr. Vice and make your reservations. This year looks bigger and better than last year so don't be disappointed - make your plans now. Our Lockerbox Chairman, Tom Lynch, reminds you that it takes 30-60 days for special uniform orders, so see him NOW!

I would like to compliment our Jr. Vice. He is really doing a fine job with the "Jr. Troop Handler", and the Ad Book. Remember, as members of this outstanding Detachment, he needs your support to be successful with both of these important projects --- STAND UP and be counted.

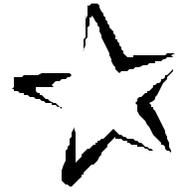
As many of you know, George Van Dusen has had quadruple bypass surgery. He is now recuperating at home, and I know George would really appreciate a call, visit, or a card. Also, Tom Weiman is in Fair Acres, Tom Flack has been very ill, Joe Mensack was rushed to the hospital last Saturday and is still in there, and George Curley is still housebound, also Jim Wagner still needs our prayers. Please remember our brother leaguers - say a prayer, and contact them.

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Stephen D. Neri

Commandant

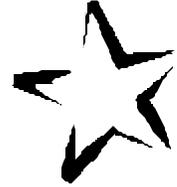
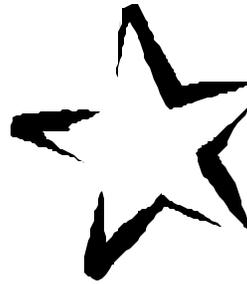
THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS
OF THE DETACHMENT SAY,
"Welcome to our new member!"



Donald T. Walz
14 Pilgrim Lane
Drexel Hill, PA 19026-4808
610-259-2983

Please add his name to your membership list.

Dave Brimble



Reflections of America
on the Anniversary of 9/11

***"Let every nation know
whether it wishes us well or ill,
that we shall pay any price,
bear any burden,
meet any hardship,
support any friend,
oppose any foe
to assure the survival
and the success
of liberty."***

--President John F. Kennedy--

submitted by Mike Horne

DID YOU KNOW?...

The Miracle of the North Platte Canteen.

North Platte, Nebraska, is about as isolated as a small town can conceivably be. It's in the middle of the country, alone out on the plains; it is hours by car even from the cities of Omaha and Lincoln. Few people venture there unless they live there or have family there.

But before the air age, the Union Pacific Railroad's main line ran right through North Platte. In 1941, the town had little more than twelve thousand residents. When WWII began, with young men being transported across the American continent to both coasts before being shipped out to Europe and the Pacific, those Union Pacific cars carried those servicemen on their way to battle zones. Those trains rolled through North Platte day and night and the local residents came up with an idea!

Why not meet the trains coming through and offer the troops a little affection and support. The servicemen were out there on the empty prairie, filled with loneliness and fear so why not try to provide them with warmth and the feeling of being loved for service to their country.

On Christmas Day 1941, it began. A troop train rolled in—and North Platte residents with welcoming words, friendly smiles and baskets of food and treats greeted the servicemen.

What happened in the years that followed was nothing short of a miracle. The railroad depot was turned into the North Platte Canteen. Every day of the year, from 0500 until the last troop train had passed through after midnight, the Canteen was open. Each and every day of the war, an average of three to five thousand military personnel came through North Platte and were welcomed at the Canteen.

Remember, only twelve thousand people lived in this town and six million servicemen passed through and were greeted and served at the Canteen during WWII. This was not something orchestrated by the government and this was not paid for with public money. Private citizens and local businesses volunteered all food, all services, and all hours of work. The only federal funding came from President Roosevelt, a five-dollar bill was sent from the White House, because he had heard what was taking place there.

Six million servicemen! Every single train was greeted and every man welcomed!

It was a love story....a love story between a country and its servicemen.

Based on the book....ONCE UPON A TOWN....by BOB GREENE, reviewed by John Cook

THE BONUS EXPEDITIONARY FORCE

In 1932, approaching the third year of the Great Depression, WWI veterans grew discontented. They had been voted a bonus for service by the Adjusted Compensated Act of 1924 by which they would receive one dollar per day for service and one dollar and twenty-five cents for overseas combat service but the payment was deferred until 1945. This was a time before Social Security, unemployment compensation, food stamps, Medicare and all the social welfare programs that we are familiar with today. Being poor meant that you had no resources to fall back on for help.

Hoping to convince Congress of their immediate needs, a Bonus Expeditionary Force was formed in Portland, Oregon by a former Army sergeant, Walter Waters. In order to reach Washington, the veterans hitched rides on empty freight cars and on arrival in Washington, they were quartered in two vacant government buildings, supplied with bed sacks and straw and were fed from Army rolling kitchens. 400 hundred were the first to arrive on May 26th and by July there were over 25,000 penniless veterans and wives and children encamped in parks, empty stores, dumps and abandoned warehouses and a man made "shanty town" in Anacostia, Southeast Washington.

B.E.F. members had hoped in vain for congressional action. Now they appealed to President Herbert Hoover, begging him to receive a delegation of their leaders. Instead he sent word that he was too busy. When the Patman Bonus Bill to pay the veterans was voted down by Congress because of the poor economy followed by the announced gains on the New York Stock Exchange, doubt was instilled in the veterans' minds about the validity of the nation's strife. Congress, then, promised to finance the cost of the marchers' trip home; and this money was later deducted from the bonus when it was paid.

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THE B. E. F. NEWS: SATURDAY, JULY 9, 1932

THE "BUMS" OF '32 IN ACTION IN '18



At the request of retired Army General Pelham Glassford, police commissioner of Washington, D.C., General Smedley Butler traveled to the capital to address the veterans and delivered a fiery speech urging the marchers to continue with their plans and commending them for their inhostile actions. He told them that they had as much right to be there as any corporate lobby. His expression of concern encouraged the wearied and haggard marchers to stay on and press their grievances much to the dismay of the Hoover Administration.

—to be continued—

submitted by John Cook

Special Announcement From Tom Lynch, Lockerbox Chairman

Everyone is aware that the Marine Corps Ball is only 2 months away. If you need to order a blazer, cummerbund or other articles for the ball, you need to do it now.

!!!!!!Attention Ladies!!!!!!

The Christmas holidays will soon be upon us, as well as that annual anxiety of –
“What does he want or need for Christmas?”



Why not get him something from our lockerbox?

Some ideas...

- ✧ Red blazer with crest
- ✧ Red satin jacket with patch
- ✧ White uniform shirt with patch - long or short sleeve
- ✧ Embroidered golf shirt

These are just a few suggestions. Call me and I will gladly help you with your order.

Tom Lynch

610.353.6695



MARINE CORPS LEAGUE
General Smedley D. Butler Detachment
06 August 2002
Regular Meeting

Commandant Steve Neri called the meeting to order at 1930.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS: Present were: Commandant Neri, Sr. Vice Brimble, Jr. Vice Alleva, Adjutant Horne, Paymaster Spano, Judge Advocate Mayer, Chaplain Bush (excused absence), Sgt-At-Arms Stanton (excused absence), Service Officer McGinley, Director Tallmadge, Director Repino, Director Powlus, Jr. Past Commandant Kaufman.

NEW MEMBERS: Motion was made by Sr. Vice Dave Brimble to accept Donald T. Walz as a regular member. Motion was seconded by Bob Spano. Motion passed.

MINUTES: A motion was made by Frank Mayer and seconded by Bob Spano to approve the minutes as published in the Scuttlebutt with the amendment that Director Nick Repino has rescinded his resignation. Motion was passed.

CORRESPONDENCE: Adjutant Mike Horne read a letter of thanks from Mary Basile of the Cardinal O'Hara Treats For Troops program thanking the Detachment for their generous donation of \$152.00. He also read a letter from Jean Jeitner thanking the funeral detail for their ceremonies at Sts. Peter and Paul Cemetery on June 6 for her husband, Raymond Jeitner. Mike Horne also passed around the American War Veterans Book that he sent for so that all members could browse through. He also read a letter of thanks from the Marple Newtown Community Band expressing their appreciation for our Color Guard participation at their concert at the Rose Tree Park on June 23, 2002. Mr. Brian Gillin, the President of MNCB, related that he received many comments that the Color Guard made an excellent professional impression on those in the audience. Adjutant Horne read a letter that he wrote to Congressman Weldon regarding the ludicrous decision by the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals that our honored Pledge of Allegiance with the words "under God" is unconstitutional. Mr. Weldon expressed that he is confident that the U.S. Supreme Court will reverse this decision, so that we can assure that our American heritage remains intact.

OFFICER REPORTS:

PAYMASTER: Bob Spano gave a comprehensive financial report. Copies can be obtained. A motion was made by Frank Mayer and seconded by Joe Conigliaro to approve the monthly report. Motion passed. Bob also reported that some members are receiving duplicate notices for annual dues. Please contact him with any problems regarding this. He also asked that those who need MCL lapel pins or 5 year or 10 year membership pins, please see him. Anyone wishing to get an MCL license plate, please see Bob for application.

CHAPLAIN: Gerry Powlus stated that he received word that Chaplain Bush was in the hospital for tests. Gerry also reported that Tom Flack was under the weather and Tom Weiman is in Fair Acres and would love to hear from fellow members. George Curley is recuperating at home from his leg injury and needs help getting to and from the hospital. If

anyone can help, please contact Chaplain or Commandant. Also, it has been reported that Joe Mensack is in the hospital and Jim Wagner is recuperating from a brain tumor.

SR. VICE COMMANDANT: Senior Vice Dave Brimble stated that current membership is 169: 150 regular members with 19 associate members and one deceased member. The deceased member is Joel Greenspon.

JR. VICE COMMANDANT: Jim Alleva thanked all those who regularly attend and help with the wagon ticket sales on Saturdays and we always can use more help. Jim reminded members to get their ads for the ad book program and return all ads to him. These are both important fundraisers. Jim also would like volunteers to help out if wagon ticket sales are permitted on Saturday September 29 at the Franklin Mint during the military/antique vehicle show.

JUDGE ADVOCATE: Judge Advocate Frank Mayer stated that he has completed revision of the bylaws and administrative procedures. Red book binders for new members are completed and will be ready for September's meeting. Frank also stated that the Thunderbirds will be performing at the Willow Grove Air Force Base on September 12, 13, and 14 from 10:00 AM until dark. Please see Frank for VIP passes if attending.

SGT-AT-ARMS: John Cook, speaking for Bob Stanton (excused absence), stated that there have been over 118 funerals that the Detachment has participated in.

SERVICE OFFICER: Connie McGinley had Veterans' benefit fact sheets available for members to pick up copies. He stated that on August 9 between 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM, Dorothy Matthews from the Governor's Veterans Outreach and Assistance Center will be at the Clifton Heights Borough Hall to provide assistance to veterans for disability claims, records, medal replacements, etc. Veterans may apply for these services with proof of active duty service.

DIRECTOR: Walt Tallmadge-no report.

DIRECTOR: Gerry Powlus -no report.

DIRECTOR: Nick Repino stated that audit on Locker Box will be scheduled when all attendees are available.

JR. PAST COMMANDANT: - no report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Adopt-A-Highway: Dave Brimble reported that the next cleanup for Bishop Hollow Road would be Sunday, August 18 at 09:00.

Ceremonies: George VanDusen reported that he would like to thank everyone who sent him get well cards, made phone calls, or visited him after his bypass surgery.

Quartermaster: Tom Lynch (excused absence). Commandant Neri reported that Tom Lynch would like anyone who has to order anything for the upcoming ball should do so at the next meeting so that there will be time for these items to be picked up or exchanged, since items may sometimes be out of stock.

Scholarships: Harry Kaufman read a letter of thanks from

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Neil Kerrigan for his \$500.00 scholarship award from the Detachment.

V.A.V.S.: Bob Matthews reported that Coatesville's monthly bingo party is the 2nd Monday of every month, and that Coatesville Hospital will be holding their annual picnic on September 14. Please contact Bob for further information.

Auxiliary Liaison: Anthony Fusto would like members to save their Genuardi and Acme receipts so that these may be turned over to the Ladies' Auxiliary. Please give these receipts to him.

Historian: Ray Green continues to work on the Detachment history book/scrapbook. Anyone wishing to donate pictures from their military service, please give them to Ray.

COMMANDANT'S REPORT: Steve Neri passed out copies of the meeting agenda and the Commandant's report to membership. Copies are available. Steve reported that the two major fundraisers are doing well, both the "Jr. Troop Handler" and the program ad book. He also stated that it has been a very busy summer with all the different ceremonies that this Detachment has attended. Steve commented on those who volunteer for the military funeral Honors detail. These men have performed between 115-120 funeral details so far this year. He also mentioned that the revision of the bylaws is complete and copies will be available at the September meeting along with the administrative procedures. They are now certified and are being retyped. He also stated that our Marine Corps Ball is only a few months away, and to contact Sr. Vice Brimble for reservations if attending. Please remember to contact Locker Box Chairman Tom Lynch if you need any special uniform orders. Steve commented on how well our Jr. Vice is doing with our fundraising projects. The Commandant also would like members to keep in mind our fellow brother leaguers who are sick: George VanDusen, Tom Weirman, Tom Flack, Joe Mensack, George Curley, and Jimmy Wags. Please remember to say a prayer or contact these leaguers by phone or with a card.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Commandant Neri saluted George VanDusen for receiving the Distinguished Service Award. Gerry Zell stated that the Franklin Mint will be having a military and antique car expo on Sunday, September 29, 2002. More details to follow. Joe Conigliaro stated that everyone who marched in the Fourth of July parade did a great job. Bill Charlton spoke regarding the Adjutant's letter on the Pledge of Allegiance, and stated that our Founding Fathers wanted freedom of religion, not from religion. Tony Medaglia reminded members that there are plenty of books and some VCR tapes available for reading or viewing. All you need to do is sign these items out and return them when finished. Sr. Vice Dave Brimble announced that the Detachment Ball will be on November 9, 2002 at the Paxon Hollow Country Club. Tickets are \$65.00 per couple, \$35.00 per person. Please see Dave for tickets.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Commandant Neri reported that the staff is looking into purchasing white web gear (duty belts/flag carriers) and white shirts for Honor Guard detail.

GOOD OF THE LEAGUE: Commandant Neri reported that we have our Brother-to-Brother program in place, and he would like to get more people involved.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 20:50.

Respectfully submitted by Mike Horne, Adjutant.

50/50 winner was Tom Kerrigan.

Locker Box certificate winner was Nick Bianco.

41 members signed the log book on 8/6/02.



Birthday Greetings for September

The Detachment staff sends best wishes to the following members who are celebrating a birthday this month:

William H. Charlton, Benjamin C. Cope,
Anthony C. Evangelista, Michael J. Horne,
John J. Lister, Frank J. McNulty,
James A. Pearce, William Lessig,
and James Alleva

Happy Birthday...and many, many more!





Next Regular Meeting is:
September 3, 2002
1930 hrs.
Knights of Columbus
327 N. Newtown Street Rd.
(Route 252)
Newtown Square, PA



Marine Corps League

Smedley D. Butler Detachment

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