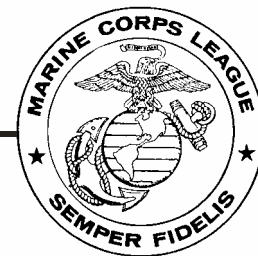




# Scuttlebutt



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## Commandant's Report May 2009

The Smedley D. Butler Detachment has the honor of hosting the Southeast District Marine Corps League meeting to be held on **Sunday**, May 3, 2009 at 1300. It will be held at the Knights of Columbus hall. This is the day before we will hold our regular May meeting. All of our members and the auxiliary are invited to attend **both** meetings. The District Meeting will have Leaguers from detachments from all over Southeast Pennsylvania in attendance. This is the last meeting prior to the Department Convention in June. This meeting is the forum used to discuss any detachment or member issue and to share any ideas you may have for the good of the League. Bill Miller, Southeast District Commandant and his staff will preside over the Sunday meeting. Please, if you can attend, come and meet Marines

from other Detachments. Refreshments and sandwiches will be served at the conclusion of the meeting.

I need to know how many members will be attending the Sunday District meeting. Call me at 610-325-9065, no later than Thursday, April 30 if you are coming,

The May General Meeting is designated "Remembrance Day". It is the meeting at which we honor the members and the auxiliary who have passed away since last May. The Detachment Charter will be draped in black. Individual names will be read, the bell tolled and their candle extinguished. One additional candle will be lit for those members of our armed forces who went in harm's way and paid the ultimate sacrifice. The Chaplain will recite the following after all names are read: "Our Comrades have left us, and we remember their comradeship. We pray for their souls and yearn for the day we will all meet again in the spirit of friendship and love". We will then recite The Lord's Prayer. This is a moving ceremony, if you can be with us, it will be appreciated.

Our Memorial Day schedule is filling up quickly. We will have Color Guard ceremonies at The Glenwood Cemetery, American Legion posts 805 and 338 as well as a Ceremony at the Broomall Veterans Park with the VFW.

We are in need of volunteers who can give two hours a week to participate with the Marple Newtown Combined Veterans Honor Guard. If we can get 5 more volunteers, each giving a few hours a week to this worthy cause, we can continue to serve and honor our fallen comrades. Please call me and let's talk about what is required.

**Make 2009 the year you became more involved with your League.**

Semper Fidelis,

*Earle Drake*

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# Jr. Vice Report

## Contribution-Special Activity

We have renamed this activity, "The Help Our Heroes Campaign".

Our Help Our Heroes Campaign commenced at our April Detachment Meeting. Members are asked to present Help Our Heroes Contribution Kits to persons selected among relatives, friends or acquaintances. The Campaign replaces last year's TV Bonanza II Campaign and will run throughout 2009.

The Kits contain documentation which:

- Explains the financial difficulties that wounded troops, needy veterans and their respective families are encountering;
- Identifies the source and nature of their difficulties.
- Graphically portrays how financial support has been employed in specific instances;
- Emphasizes the fact that our Detachment is not seeking donations for its own account but acts as a means of channeling contributions to those in need;**
- Details how contributions will be processed.

If you have not received a kit, please contact me at 610-356-8893.

To date, we have received in excess of thirty contributions.

## "Help Us Help Others (HUHO)" Campaign

Please check the next column of our Newsletter for the schedule of HUHO events. We are awaiting approval for the Wal-Mart Boothwyn, Pathmark Boothwyn and American Helicopter Museum Air Shows events. This campaign begins April 18th/19th with the second event following on May 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup>. We break for August as was the case last year followed by the remainder of the Campaign in the Fall and early Winter.

If you have not been an active participant in the past, please consider serving a two to three hour shift on weekends convenient for your circumstances. I promise that you will enjoy yourselves! Please contact me at 610-356-8893 if you wish to participate.

The schedule has not been expanded in length but has expanded in number of events. We found that this could be done by focusing on soliciting donations and dropping efforts to sell ticket chances. **No member will be expected to serve on more than one shift per weekend!**

Respectfully Submitted,

*John B. McLeod*  
Junior Vice Commandant

## 2009 "Help Us Help Others" Schedule (thru Sep)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Store/Event</u>	<u>Address</u>
5/02	ACME Bryn Mawr	Lancaster A & Penn St
	SuperFresh Havertown	1305 W Chest Pike
5/03*	SuperFresh Havertown	" "
5/07	WaWa Store 205	5 Mathews Road
5/09	ACME West Goshen	907 Paoli Pike
	ACME Concordville	101 Byers Drive
5/10*	ACME West Goshen	907 Paoli Pike
5/16	ACME Media	527 E Baltimore Pike
	ACME Granite Run	1067 W Baltimore Pk
5/17*	ACME Media	527 E Baltimore Pike
5/23	ACME Paoli	39 Leopard Road
	Wayne	700 W Lancaster Ave
5/24*	ACME Paoli	39 Leopard Road
6/06	ACME Newtown Sq	3390 W Chester Pike
	ACME Lawrence Pk	567 Sproul Road
6/07*	ACME Newtown Sq	3390 W Chester Pike
	ACME Lawrence Pk	567 Sproul Road
7/04	ACME Paoli	39 Leopard Road
7/04	ACME Wayne	700 W Lancaster Ave
7/05*	ACME Paoli	39 Leopard Road
7/11	ACME West Goshen	907 Paoli Pike
	Concordville	101 Byers Drive
7/12*	ACME West Goshen	907 Paoli Pike
7/18	ACME Media	527 E Baltimore Pike
	ACME Granite Run	1067 W Baltimore Pike
7/19*	ACME Media	527 E Baltimore Pike
7/25	ACME Ridley	124 Morton Ave
	ACME Glenolden	503 S Mac Dade Blvd
7/26*	ACME Ridley	124 Morton Ave
8/29	Super Fresh Havertown	1305 W Chest Pike
	Pathmark Broomall	50 Lawrence Rd
8/30	Super Fresh Havertown	1305 W Chest Pike
9/05	Wal-Mart Eddystone	1570 Chester Pike
	Wal-Mart Boothwyn	605 Conchester Hwy
9/06*	Wal-Mart Eddystone	1570 Chester Pike
9/12	Wal-Mart Glenolden	50 N Mac Dade Blvd
9/13	Wal-Mart Glenolden	50 N Mac Dade Blvd
9/19	Pathmark Folsom	420 N MacDade Blvd
	Shop Rite W Chester	115 W Chester Pk
9/20*	Shop Rite W Chester	W Chester PA
9/26	Pathmark, Chichester	643 Conchester Hwy
9/27*	Pathmark, Chichester	643 Conchester Hwy

**The Legend Continues ...**

While serving in Panama in 1912, Butler's command of leadership and discipline was put to the test at a time of high tension between Republic of Panama Forces and U.S. Armed Forces.

The different branches of military usually had games of athletic competition as a form of sportsmanship and pride in their units or entertainment for the troops stationed in the Panamanian tropical zone. After the games, discussions pertaining to the competitions were held in the various bars in Balboa and the City of Panama. These discussions led to physical encounters and soon the fights turned into brawls between the services and this turned into a full scale riot. The U.S. Military Police could not calm the situation. The Panamanian Police were called and the riot worsened because of the police methods, such as beatings and shootings, some fatal! Butler, being the most senior American officer on duty and the nearest to Panama City, was ordered to quell the riot and restore order. He commandeered a railroad passenger train and ordered all rioters to the train station and had them all board and taken away from the scene and returned to their respective duty stations. Just by his presence order was restored!

He was commended for his action and diplomacy between the two countries was restored again, even though there were fatalities.

In 1914, the Marines were withdrawn from the Panama area and were assigned to duty with the U.S. Navy Fleet at Culebra.

**John Cook**

Historian

Young Marines' Report

The Young Marines went to Connecticut, the birth place of the Young Marines to participate in the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Details to follow in the June report ...

**Thank you as always for your continued support!**

**Jeffrey Gunning**

Delaware County Young Marines



**General Smedley D. Butler Detachment Officers**

Commandant	Earle E. Drake
Sr. Vice Commandant	Robert Cosgrove
Jr. Vice Commandant	Jack McLeod
Adjutant	Jack Kelly
Paymaster	Bob Spano
Judge Advocate	Dan Luty
Sergeant-At-Arms	James D. Ross
Chaplain	Christopher Bush
Service Officer	Connie McGinley
Director	James Herbst
Director	Paul Ferguson
Director	Bernie McGinley
Jr. Past Commandant	Jerry Leon

**General Smedley D. Butler Detachment Committee Chairmen**

Adopt-A-Highway	John Burfete
Americanism	Jim Mulhern
Auxiliary Liaison	Tony Fusto
Awards	Harry Kaufman
Ceremonies	Jim Ross
Color Guard	Joe Conigliaro
Flag Collection	Barry Reese
Historian	Bob (Coz) Cosgrove
Home Association	Tom Kerrigan
Honor Guard	Wayne Barner
" Assistant	John J. V. Cook
Locker Box	Paul Ferguson
Marksmanship	Gene Kern
Membership	Robert Cosgrove
Newsletter (Scuttlebutt)	Dan Luty
Newtown Twp Vets Park	Earle Drake
Nominations	Jerry Leon
Property	Bob Spano
Public Relations	
Scholarships	Wayne Williams
Scouting	John Gingras
Toys-For-Tots	Dan Luty
V.A.V.S.	Connie McGinley
Young Marines	Robert Stanton
Web Master	Dan Luty

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<b>VA Hotline</b>	<b>800-827-1000</b>
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<b>Education</b>	<b>888-442-4511</b>
<b>Grave Markers</b>	<b>800-697-6947</b>
<b>Life Insurance</b>	<b>800-669-8477</b>
<b>Website</b>	<b><u>www.va.gov</u></b>

# Looking Ahead

## DETACHMENT EVENTS

### Events-May-June, 2009

- May 3** Southeast District MCL Meeting. KOC Hall, 1300 start time. Be there, meet your fellow Marine Corps League comrades.
- May 4** General Meeting. KOC Hall, 1930 start time
- May 9** Two Eagle Scout Ceremonies at St. Denis Church, Havertown, PA.
- May 11** VAVS. Bingo at the Coatesville Veterans Hospital
- May 11** 7<sup>th</sup> Congressional District Veterans Summit. 6-9PM Ridley High School, 901 Morton Ave, Folsom, PA. This is important to all Veterans! We will have a table.
- May 16** Marple Pride Day
- May 22** Honor Guard Ceremony at Lima Estates Staff Meeting, KOC, 1930 start.
- May 24** Honor Guard Ceremony at Dunwoody
- May 25** Memorial Day Ceremonies at Glenwood Cemetery, American Legion posts 805 and 338, VFW Ceremony at Broomall Veterans Park
- June 24-27** 2009 Department Convention. Holiday Inn Hotel and Conference Center, 148 Sheraton Drive, New Cumberland, PA 17070. Room Rate: \$89.00, plus tax. Deadline Date for reservations: May 25, 2009.
- June 28** Adopt a Highway at 0830

## OTHER ORGANIZATIONS' EVENTS

### OTHER VETERANS' & FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS' MEETING SCHEDULES

#### 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 West Chester Pike, Broomall, PA. Meetings the second Wednesday of every month, at 1930.

**American Legion Nunan-Slook Post #338**, Meets the second Tuesday at 7:30 PM of every month at the corner of Ralston & Graslynn Avenues, Havertown, PA.

**Upper Darby Detachment #884 MCL**, 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 2000, 1026 Providence Rd. Secane, Pa. 19018

## Other Organizations' Events (Cont'd.)

**Disabled American Veterans, Delaware County Chapter 113**, meets the second Monday of the month at 7:30PM. Meetings are held at the Nunan-Slook American Legion Post #338. The Post is located at Ralston & Graslynn Avenues in Havertown, PA.

**Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 67**, AmVets, Harold P. Saks Post #118, 211 N. Morton Ave. in Morton, PA meeting is 2nd Tuesday at 7:30 PM - no meetings July or August.

**Delaware County Detachment**, Third Sunday of the month: Breakfast: 0800-1130, \$7.00/person. Delaware County Detachment at detachment home, Upland, PA. Every Month except: June-July-August.

**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. and Sutton Avenue, Folsom, PA.

**Veterans of Foreign Wars: Broomall Post #7390**, Meetings the second Thursday of the month at 1930. Meetings are held at the Marple Twp. Municipal Building, Sproul & Springfield Roads, Broomall, PA.

**Veterans of Foreign Wars: Herbert W. Best Post # 928**, meetings are the 1st and 3rd Monday of the month except in September, it will be the day after Labor Day, the 2nd (Tuesday and the 3rd Monday) Meetings are held at Herbert W. Best Post # 928, VFW, MacDade Blvd. and Sutton Avenue, Folsom, 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

Bill Charlton, Jr. Dave Brimble Anthony Delgripo Craig & Dottie Allen & Daughter	Ralph LaMarra Henry Mumma Matt Balfrey Tom & Berenice Kerrigan
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*Please remember to notify Chaplain Chris Bush (610.353.5569) of an illness, or of a member or family member passing away.*

### Scouting Report

The Commandant has made another presentation of the Detachment's Eagle Scout Challenge Coin and Citizenship Award this past month. It was his fourth so far this Calendar year. A special Thank You to Member Paul Donohue for the alert on this award.

Two additional presentations are scheduled for May.

A significant number of our Presentations come from referrals by members. If you know someone who has a new Eagle Scout in their family or community and would like them to receive our Award, please notify Jack Gingras, at Gingraslaw@aol.com, or the Commandant.

**SF**  
**Jack Gingras**

### THE FIRST LINCOLN TURNS 100

The Coin with many "Firsts" –  
First shocked the Nation.

Issued to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Lincoln's birth, the 1909 Lincoln Cent would have been coveted enough as a first-year-issue coin. But when designer Victor David Brenner conspicuously included his initials "V.D.B." on the coin's reverse, it caused a national scandal.

Struck by the U.S. Mint, only a few "V.D.B." 1909 dated Lincoln cents were minted before public outcry and protest got the initials removed from this spot forever. This was also the first one-cent coin to feature a portrait of a president, and it was the first to bear the motto "In God We Trust". 2009 represents the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of this coin.

**Prospect Hill Baptist Church** in Prospect Park, Delaware County, Pa. claims a prominent role in instituting the phrase "In God We Trust" on United States coins and currency. A former Pastor, Mark R. Watkinson, felt that the Civil War was going to leave the country with a bad name, "brother fighting brother in a civil war", and wrote a letter to then Salmon Chase, Secretary of the Treasury, suggesting "God, Liberty, Law," be put on the coins. Salmon Chase acted on Watkinson's letter referring the matter to James B. Longacre, Mint Engraver. A Committee later settled on "In God We Trust" and the words first appeared on a 2 cent coin. A sign has hung outside of that Church, which is located on Route 420, for many years announcing the birthplace of that phrase.

*Based on an article, American History Magazine,  
June...2009*

### "SCUTTLEBUTT" BOOSTER CLUB



*Help support our  
newsletter and  
become a  
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Booster Club!*

Any monetary contribution helps offset the cost of publication and mailing.

We wish to thank our current boosters. With their assistance, we are able to continue our award-winning newsletter!

MAY BOOSTERS

Joe Direso, Jr.  
Florence & Bob Spano

Thank you boosters!

*Bob Spano*  
Paymaster

*If you are interested in being a "Scuttlebutt" Booster,  
please see Bob Spano.*

### Birthday Greetings for May

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

Anthony Coladonato  
John Davis  
James Duffy  
John Haynal  
Earl Eugene Kern  
Patrick Lavin  
Dominick Longhi  
Wallace Lyaal  
Cornelius McGinley  
Joseph Mensack  
Richard Palena  
Joseph Rossetti  
Wayne P. Williams



*Happy Birthday...and many, many more!*

*If your birthday was omitted,  
please contact Adjutant Jack Kelly.  
We apologize for any omissions.*

**General Smedley D. Butler Detachment #741**  
**Marine Corps League**  
**General Meeting Minutes - April 6, 2009**

Commandant: Earle Drake opened the meeting at 1930. The normal opening ceremonies were conducted. Officers present were Commandant Earle Drake, Sr. Vice Bob Cosgrove, Jr. Vice Jack McLeod, Judge Advocate Dan Luty, Adjutant Jack Kelly, Paymaster Bob Spano, Chaplain Chris Bush, Sergeant-at-Arms Jim Ross, Service Officer Connie McGinley, Director Paul Ferguson, Director Jim Herbst, and Director Bernie McGinley.

New Member: Alexander (Andy) Rubin was introduced as a potential new member, sponsored by Earle Drake. Alexander Rubin had served in the Marine Corps at two different times as a captain. After his introduction, he was accepted into membership, and he was sworn in by Commandant Earle Drake.

Officer Reports:

Commandant: Earle Drake introduced a guest, Bea Lloyd, a member of the Salem County, NJ, Detachment. Earle Drake thanked members of the Detachment who participated in leadership seminars for the Villanova University and University of Pennsylvania NROTC units in March. Those who participated were George Boyajian, Wayne Barner, Jeff Elliot, John Cook, Bob Spano, and Bob Cosgrove.

Chaplain: Chris Bush mentioned several members who were recovering from illness, including Anthony Delgripo, Barry Reese, Matt Balfrey, and Craig Allen. He also mentioned that two members, Anthony Nastri and Thomas Flack, had passed away since the Detachment's last meeting.

Adjutant: Jack Kelly mentioned that a number of acknowledgements had been received from various organizations, recognizing donations made by the Detachment. Letters of thanks were received from Homes for Our Troops, the Injured Marine Semper Fi Fund, the Intrepid Fallen Heroes Fund, and from Hope For The Warriors. Letters were also received from The Mary E. Walker House, the women's facility at the Coatesville VA Hospital, and from Operation First Response, for the Detachment's donation for Cpl. Ronny Porta, USMC. A letter of thanks was also received from the Delaware County Young Marines for a recent donation for their fiftieth anniversary celebration. A letter of appreciation was read from Carmela Delgripo, thanking the Detachment for the Honor Guard ceremony at the graveside service for Anthony Delgripo's brother, Joseph Delgripo.

Sr. Vice: Bob Cosgrove mentioned that the Detachment would be hosting the Southeast District Meeting at the Knights of Columbus on 3 May 2009, beginning at 1300, and he encouraged all to attend. He also reminded everyone

of the June dinner meeting, in which academic scholarships are awarded. A sign-up sheet will be circulated during this evening's meeting to sign up for the June dinner meeting. Bob Cosgrove also asked for a show of hands to determine interest in a possible trip to the Marine Corps Expo at Quantico, VA in September.

Jr. Vice: Jack McLeod provided information on this year's fundraising activities. He distributed a schedule for the Help Us Help Others campaign, mentioning that two events will be held per weekend, on both Saturday and Sunday each weekend. Members will be asked to volunteer on only one of the two days, and new volunteers are always welcome. Jack McLeod also reviewed the Help Our Heroes campaign, and he distributed pamphlets outlining this program. If interested, members could contact friends, relatives, or other contacts and explain to them what our Detachment is about and ask them if they would be willing to make a financial donation. One hundred percent of the funds collected in this manner would be fully distributed to those people or organizations that are in need or serve those that are in need.

Paymaster: Bob Spano reviewed the Paymaster's report as of the end of March 2009. George Boyajian made a motion to accept the Paymaster's for the month of March as received. Paul Ferguson seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Service Officer: Connie McGinley provided information on the Post 9/11 Veterans Education Assistance Act of 2008. This is a bill that provides educational assistance to individuals who served on active duty on or after September 11, 2001. Connie McGinley also mentioned that for those needing to replace a military identification card, two forms of identification would be needed. A valid photo ID and a secondary form of ID will be required if a military identification card has been lost and needs to be replaced.

Committee Reports:

Adopt-a-Highway: Although John Burfete was not in attendance, Commandant Earle Drake reminded everyone that the first Adopt-a-Highway event of the year is scheduled for 19 April 2009.

Awards: Harry Kaufman, along with Earle Drake, presented a Distinguished Service Award to Chris Bush, for his service in the community and for his long service as Chaplain to the Smedley D. Butler Detachment of the Marine Corps League. Harry Kaufman also provided a brief history of the Gung Ho Award that is presented annually to a deserving cadet at the Villanova NROTC Spring Review. This year's event will be conducted on 21 April 2009, and Harry Kaufman encouraged everyone to attend.

Color Guard: Joe Conigliaro mentioned the recent activities of the Color Guard, and those participating in those events, including an event at Delaware County Memorial Park on 9 March 2009. He also mentioned two upcoming events for the Color Guard, the Southeast District meeting scheduled for 3 May 2009, beginning at 1300, and an event at Dunwoody Village, scheduled for 22 May 2009.

Flag Collection: Dennis Morsa mentioned that a number of non-serviceable flags need to be burned. Since Barry Reese is recovering from an operation, additional volunteers are welcome to help in this program.

Honor Guard: Wayne Barner mentioned that 25 military funerals were serviced by the Honor Guard during the month of March. During 2009, 72 funerals have been serviced so far. Wayne Barner also mentioned that there is always a need for additional volunteers for the Honor Guard.

March of Dimes Walk: Dan Luty provided information on the March of Dimes Walk, scheduled for 26 April 2009 at Ridley Creek State Park, beginning at 0830. Members can participate by walking in the event, or by making a donation.

Scholarships: Wayne Williams mentioned that application forms for academic scholarships are available, and completed applications need to be submitted to him no later than 4 May 2009.

Scouting: Earle Drake mentioned that he and Jack Gingras had made a presentation to a new Eagle Scout in the local area this past Saturday evening.

Unfinished Business: No items of unfinished business were raised.

New Business: Dan Luty made a motion to donate \$1,000.00 to the Police Memorial Fund, which provides assistance to the families of fallen police officers. Joe Hudson seconded the motion. Paul Ferguson asked a point of clarification, asking if this donation would go directly to the Fund, and not be directed toward an upcoming Police Run to Washington D.C. Dan Luty clarified that this donation would go directly to the Fund, and not to the run. The motion passed. Dan Luty mentioned that some Marines from the Folsom Reserve Center would be participating in the upcoming Police Run from Philadelphia to Washington D.C. Dan Luty made a motion to donate \$400.00 to sponsor one of the Marines from the Folsom Reserve Center participating in this run. Joe Conigliaro seconded the motion, and the motion passed. Dan Luty made a third motion, to donate \$200.00 to sponsor the Detachment's team in the upcoming March of Dimes Walk in April. Bob Spano seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Bob Spano made a motion to donate \$1,000.00 to each of the following organizations: Fisher House, T.A.P.S. (Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors), Intrepid Fund, KWVA (Korean War Veterans Association), the Upper Darby MCL Auxiliary, Operation First Response, and Soldiers' Angels. The Detachment has donated to these organizations in the past and these organizations were discussed and approved at the March Staff Meeting. Bernie McGinley seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

John Cook made a motion to donate \$1,000.00 to the St. Vincent de Paul organization, a non-profit charitable organization. This organization had been discussed at the March Staff Meeting and approved. Harry Kaufman seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Good of the League: Jim Herbst mentioned that he had recently ordered a white aviator shirt, and had found that the stock number had changed. He recommended that if others wish to order the white aviator shirt that they do so by telephone, and not on-line, in order to receive the proper item.

Announcements: Upcoming Detachment events were mentioned briefly. In addition, Dennis Morsa mentioned the American Legion's Easter Egg Roll scheduled for 11 April, and the VFW spring luncheon, scheduled for 16 April at the Springfield Country Club.

George Boyajian made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Joe Conigliaro seconded the motion. After the normal closing ceremonies, the meeting was adjourned at 2105. Jim Cecchini won the 50/50. Thirty-five members signed the logbook.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Kelly, Adjutant

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- All submissions must be received by the editor no later than the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month for the upcoming issue.
- The preferred format for written articles is a computer file (such as MS Word, or an email). Non-computer files will be considered and included in Scuttlebutt only if the editor is able to transcribe the article in a timely matter for publication.
- The preferred format for photos is digital in a high resolution JPG file (other file formats will also be considered). Traditional photos may be submitted as well, and will be included only if the editor is able to scan the photo in a timely matter for publication.
- All submissions must be the original work of the person submitting the piece. If the submitter is not the author of the work, the submitter should obtain permission from the author and submit that as well. No copyrighted materials can be used without permission from the appropriate parties.
- The editor reserves the right to include or exclude submissions as necessary according to these guidelines and as space in the publication dictates.
- Items may be submitted to the editor via email to [dan.luty@ricoh-usa.com](mailto:dan.luty@ricoh-usa.com)





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*Honor-Courage-  
Commitment*



Next Meeting  
**May 4, 2009**  
**1930 hours**  
Knights of Columbus  
327 N. Newtown Street Rd.  
(Route 252)  
Newtown Square, PA 19073