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Commandant's Report November 2012

I am starting my report with a reminder of the Detachment meetings for the rest of the year. The November meeting is **Monday** the 5th due to the election on Tuesday. The December meeting is Tuesday the 4th which is our Annual Holiday Dinner. The meeting starts at 1800 and dinner follows the abbreviated meeting. The cost of the dinner is an unwrapped new toy for our Toys for Tots campaign. The January meeting is on **Wednesday** the 2nd.

The second round of nominations for next year's officers will be held during the November meeting. There are two positions open, the Senior Vice Commandant and a Director position.

Also at the next meeting, the Detachment will nominate the Detachment Marine of the Year. The Marine of the Year committee will hand out paper work where you list the member and then write why this person should be Marine of the Year. Voting will be held at the December meeting.

Please read the minutes provided by the Adjutant. Jack Kelly does a great job in putting it all together. There is a lot of information in the minutes about upcoming events. On that subject, during Veterans Day weekend the Detachment will be busy. **PLEASE HELP!**

November's Detachment uniform will be long sleeve shirts and ties.

Semper Fi,

James Herbst
Commandant



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"SCUTTLEBUTT" BOOSTER CLUB



Help support our award winning newsletter and become a member of the 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!

NOVEMBER BOOSTERS

- | | |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| John Burfete, Jr. | Helen & John Cook |
| Charles Coombs | Bud Davis |
| Mel DelGripo | Joe Direso |
| Jean & Tom Falgiatore | Paul Ferguson |
| Rosemarie & Tony Fusto | Roger Godfrey |
| Richard Guyer | Jack Kelly |
| Delores & Emil Latini | Bernie McGinley |
| Con McGinley | Jerry McGuckin |
| Joe Mealey | Pat & Joe Mensack |
| Florence & Bob Spano | Hank Velardi |

Thank you boosters!

Bob Spano
Paymaster

Birthday Greetings for November

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

- Kim Babcock
- Matthew Balfrey
- Louis Camilli
- David Cleary
- Joseph Conigliaro
- John Cook
- James Donahue
- Daniel Fitzpatrick
- Karl Heinzelmann
- Stephen Hodulik
- Aleta Krauss
- Daniel Luty
- H. Chalmers McDaniel
- Bernard McGinley, Jr.
- John Pino
- John Robertson
- James Sandusky
- Russell Williamson



Happy Birthday...and many, many more!

General Smedley D. Butler Detachment Officers

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|---------------------|---------------------|
| Commandant | James Herbst |
| Sr. Vice Commandant | Bob Cosgrove |
| Jr. Vice Commandant | Jack McLeod |
| Adjutant | Jack Kelly |
| Paymaster | Bob Spano |
| Judge Advocate | Paul Ferguson |
| Sergeant-At-Arms | Charles (Bud) Davis |
| Chaplain | Christopher Bush |
| Service Officer | Con McGinley |
| Director | Bill Kinney |
| Director | Ed Seidl |
| Director | Bernie McGinley |
| Jr. Past Commandant | Dan Luty |

General Smedley D. Butler Detachment Committee Chairmen

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|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Adopt-A-Highway | John Burfete |
| Americanism | Jim Mulhern/E. Drake |
| Auxiliary Liaison | Tony Fusto |
| Awards | Harry Kaufman |
| Ceremonies | Charles (Bud) Davis |
| Color Guard | Jim Donegan |
| Flag Collection | Barry Reese |
| Historian | Jack Gallagher |
| Home Association | Tom Kerrigan |
| Honor Guard | Joe Tier |
| Honor Guard Assistants | Ben Sides/Joe Blee |
| Locker Box | Paul Ferguson |
| Marksmanship | Paul Drinkard |
| Membership | James Herbst |
| Newsletter (Scuttlebutt) | Dan Luty |
| Newtown Twp Vets Park | Jerry Leon |
| Nominations | Dan Luty |
| Property | Bob Spano |
| Communications | John Burfete |
| Scholarships | Wayne Williams |
| Scouting | John Gingras/Ed Seidl |
| Toys-For-Tots | Bob Cosgrove |
| V.A.V.S. | Con McGinley |
| Young Marines | Robert Stanton |
| Web Master | Dan Luty |

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| Veterans' Healthcare | 800-222-8387 |
| Education | 888-442-4511 |
| Grave Markers | 800-697-6947 |
| Life Insurance | 800-669-8477 |
| Website | www.va.gov |

Looking Ahead

DETACHMENT EVENTS

November

- 4 Daylight Savings, clocks go back 1 hour.
- 5 General Meeting, K of C Hall, 1930. **Moved to Monday due to Election Day.**
- 6 Election Day.
- 9 Coatesville VAMC Veterans Parade at 0900.
- 9 Birthday Ball at Paxon Hollow Golf Club at 1800.
- 10 **U.S. Marine Corps Birthday!**
- 11 Veterans Day.
- 11 Marine Sunday, Cumberland Cemetery, West Cester at 1000.
- 12 Terry Jones's Chesty Puller Statue unveiling at The Museum of the Marine Corps in Quantico, VA at 1400.
- 12 Bill Adolph sponsored breakfast at Paxon Hollow at 0800.
VFW Ceremony at Veterans Park, Broomall at 1000.
American Legion #805 Ceremony at 1110.
Media, PA Veterans Parade immediately following American Legion Ceremony.

December

- 4 General Meeting & **Detachment Christmas Party**, Knights of Columbus Hall. **(early start, 1800. Cost for party is 1 new unwrapped to for Toys 4 Tots)**

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS' EVENTS

OTHER VETERANS' & FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS'

REGULAR EVENTS

AmVets: Harold P. Saks Post #118, 211 N. Morton Ave., Morton, PA 19070. Meetings the first Wednesday of every month at 1930.

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.

Other Organizations' Events (Cont'd.)

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

Disabled American Veterans, Delaware County Chapter 113, meets the second Monday of the month at 7:30 PM. Meetings are held at the Nunan-Slook American Legion Post #338. The Post is located at the corner of 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 MCL, 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

Dave Brimble
Matt Balfrey

John McHenry
Henry Velardi

Please remember to notify Chaplain Chris Bush (610.353.5569) of an illness, or of a member or family member passing away.

2012 "Help Us Help Others"

<u>Date</u>	<u>Store/Event</u>	<u>Address</u>
11/03	Chichester Pathmark 610-859-8920 Shop Rite W Chester 610-696-4066	643 Conchester Hwy Boothwyn, PA 115 W Chester Pk West Chester, PA
11/04	Chichester Pathmark Shop Rite W Chester	643 Conchester Hwy 115 W Chester Pk
11/09*	Boothwyn Wal-Mart 610-494-2535	605 Conchester Hwy Boothwyn, PA
11/10	Springfield Wal-Mart 610-605-3154 Boothwyn Wal-Mart	400 S. State Road Springfield, PA 605 Conchester Hwy
11/11	Springfield Wal-Mart Boothwyn Wal-Mart	400 S. State Road 605 Conchester Hwy
11/16*	Eddystone Wal-Mart 610-447-1860	1570 Chester Pike Eddystone, PA
11/17	Glenolden Wal-Mart 610-583-2682 Eddystone Wal-Mart	50 N Mac Dade Blvd Glenolden, PA 1570 Chester Pike
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Sr. Vice Commandant's Report

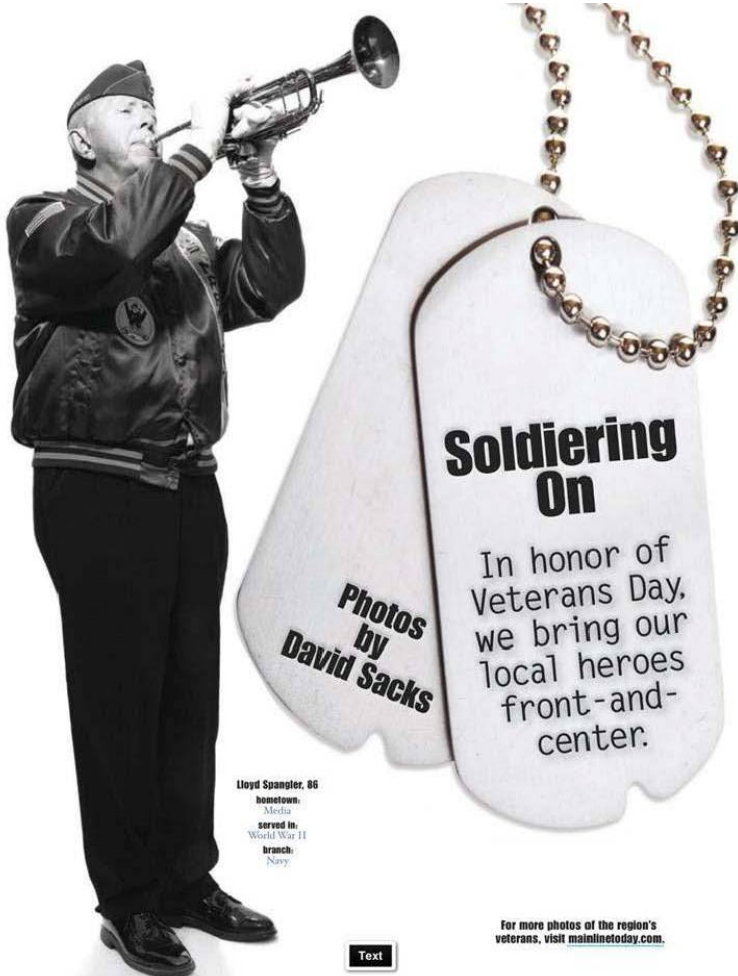
The Marine Corps Ball will be held at the Paxon Hollow Country Club at 6:00pm on Friday, November 9th. Once again the price is being held at \$45.00 per person. There will be an open bar and a sumptuous dinner with music for your dancing pleasure. Come and enjoy the evening with your friends. There will be a sign in sheet at our next general meeting or you can call John Cook at 610-853-3932 for reservations and seating preferences. You may also contact me for reservations by e-mail { bigcoz@comcast.net } or call me at 610- 896- 8559. Please make your reservations ASAP so we can get a head count to order the food.

On Monday 12 November, our resident sculptor Terry Jones, will be unveiling his statue of Chesty Puller at the Marine Corps Museum in Quantico, VA at 1400. I thought it might be nice if we could put together a car pool to drive down and support Terry and visit the museum which has a lot of new exhibits. First of all, if you are not involved in other Detachment activities on that day, we will need a couple of drivers for the undertaking. If you could kindly be of service in this regard please e-mail or call me at the numbers above. Also get in touch if you are interested in joining us for this delightful outing and if we can get a couple of drivers we'll make it happen.

The Christmas dinner will be held at our regular meeting on Tuesday 4 December. We will have a short meeting beginning a 1800 followed by dinner. The actual dinner is free but we ask you to each bring a new unwrapped toy for our "Toys for Tots" campaign.

Semper Fi,

Robert Cosgrove
Sr. Vice Commandant



LLOYD SPANGLER FEATURED IN MAIN LINE TODAY

General Smedley D. Butler Detachment #741

Marine Corps League

General Meeting Minutes – 2 October 2012

Commandant: Commandant Jim Herbst opened the meeting at 1930. The regular opening ceremonies were conducted. Officers present were Commandant Jim Herbst, Sr. Vice Bob Cosgrove, Jr. Vice Jack McLeod, Judge Advocate Paul Ferguson, Adjutant Jack Kelly, Paymaster Bob Spano, Chaplain Chris Bush, Sergeant-at-Arms Charles (Bud) Davis, Service Officer Con McGinley, Director Bill Kinney, Director Bernie McGinley, Director Ed Seidl, and Junior Past Commandant Dan Luty.

Minutes: George Boyajian made a motion to accept the minutes of the 5 September 2012 general meeting as published in the *Scuttlebutt*. Paul Ferguson seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Officer Reports:

Commandant: Jim Herbst mentioned that the Detachment will be busy in the next several months. The uniform change coincides with daylight savings time, which is 4 November 2012. The November general meeting will be the first for the winter uniform. The November general meeting will be held on Monday, 5 November, since Tuesday 6 November is election day. Jim Herbst mentioned that this evening's meeting is the first round of three for the nomination of officers for the 2013 year. Nominations can also be made in the November and December meetings, with elections to take place at the December meeting. The annual Birthday Ball is on 9 November 2012 at the Paxon Hollow Country Club. Sunday 11 November is Marine Sunday, where Detachment members visit General Smedley's grave in West Chester, PA. Monday 11 November is a busy day with events at Marple Veterans Park, the American Legion Post #805, and then the Veterans Day Parade in Media, PA. In addition, Terry Jones will be unveiling his statue of Chesty Puller at the National Marine Corps Museum in Quantico, VA.

Sr. Vice: Bob Cosgrove mentioned that the annual Marine Corps Birthday Ball is scheduled to be held at the Paxon Hollow Country Club on 9 November 2012. The price is \$45.00 per person. Sign-up sheets were distributed during the meeting for those planning to attend. Terry Jones was asked to provide information on the unveiling of his statue of Chesty Puller. Terry Jones mentioned that the statue would be finished in the next several days, and he is working closely with the Marine Corps to have it in place before the dedication date. The statue will be placed in a prominent position outside the National Marine Corps Museum in Quantico, VA. The dedication ceremony is set for 1400 hours on Tuesday, 12 November 2012. Car pooling was suggested if enough members desire to attend the event.

Jr. Vice: Jack McLeod provided information on the Help Us Help Others (HUHO) campaign. So far, year-to-date, more than \$107,000.00 has been collected at twenty-nine events at area supermarkets. This compares with more than \$97,000.00 at the same time last year. During the month of September, more than \$30,000.00 was collected. More than 1900 hours of collecting has been served by those members involved along with some Auxiliary members. Jack McLeod stressed the importance of what the HUHO campaign is accomplishing with the financial donations made to those organizations receiving funds. Jack McLeod also provided information on the Ball program book.

The book contains about 100 advertisements, and this activity helps to keep the cost of the Ball at a reasonable price for members. Advertisements are due to be submitted by 12 October 2012.

Adjutant: Jack Kelly mentioned that letters of appreciation had been received from a number of organizations that the Detachment had made contributions to, including letters from Operation First Response, from the Fisher House Foundation, and from Marines Helping Marines, among others. In addition, acknowledgements of gifts made by the Detachment were received from New Ways Ministry, donated in honor of the late George Curran, and from the American Cancer Society. A note of thanks was read from Mrs. Ellen Curran, for the gift made by the Detachment. A note of thanks was read from Amy Blum, Program Coordinator at Martin's Run, thanking Color Guard Chairman Jim Donegan for arranging for a Color Guard at the Virtual Walk conducted at Martin's Run. Bob Wells, Bill Kinney, and Bob Spano served in the Color Guard for that event.

Judge Advocate: Paul Ferguson mentioned that he serves as the Chaplain for the Chester County Fraternal Order of Police, and he was asking for prayer for the families of nine Marines killed in Afghanistan in the past week. All were members of "Darkhorse" 3rd Battalion 5th Marines. Paul Ferguson read the names of the Marines killed in action in Afghanistan in the past week. Paul Ferguson also mentioned that occasionally the USO in Philadelphia needs volunteers to drive a Marine friend of a deceased Marine from Philadelphia to Dover, DE to escort the remains of his friend. Often the Marine is not able to rent a car, because in many cases he is not twenty-five years old. Paul Ferguson mentioned this to his former police department and received a good number of volunteers, but he was mentioning this here at the Detachment meeting as well. Anyone interested in volunteering to drive a Marine to Dover, Delaware when called upon should contact Paul Ferguson.

Paymaster: Bob Spano reviewed the paymaster's report as of 30 September 2012. He also referred to the list of suggested organizations to receive donations this month, as listed on the back of the agenda. This would be covered later in the meeting. George Boyajian made a motion to accept the paymaster's report as received. Bernie McGinley seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Director Bill Kinney: Bill Kinney mentioned that there would be a publicity photo shoot at the Delaware County Veterans Park tomorrow, 3 October 2012. Anyone interested in the photo shoot should be there at noon.

Committee Reports:

Adopt-a-Highway: John Burfete reported that the final Adopt-a-Highway event is scheduled for Sunday, 14 October 2012. The starting time is 0830, and coffee and doughnuts will be provided. Volunteers are needed.

Communications: In his new role as Communications director, John Burfete mentioned that members should send him items of interest that could be used in local newspapers. He will send information of interest to local newspapers with the hope of seeing it published.

Americanism: Earle Drake reported that he, Jim Mulhern, Lloyd Spangler and Joe Conigliaro had recently presented an Americanism program at the Chester County Youth Center. Other presentations are being planned.

Auxiliary Liaison: Tony Fusto reported that the Auxiliary is planning a bake sale on 20 October 2012. He also indicated that a donation from the Detachment would be appreciated. Bob Spano provided a check.

Awards: Jim Herbst mentioned that Harry Kaufman was not in attendance, but he wanted to mention that committee chairmen should start thinking of names of members who should receive recognition for their contributions to the Detachment this year. Also, members should be thinking of members to nominate for the Marine of the Year.

Color Guard: Jim Donegan expressed his appreciation to Bob Wells, Bill Kinney, and Bob Spano for participating in the Color Guard event at Martin's Run recently. He also expressed the need for others to participate in some Color Guard events. He mentioned the need of participants for the Beirut Memorial Service on 21 October 2012, as well as the events scheduled for 11 November and the Veterans Day Parade in Media.

Home Association: Tom Kerrigan reminded the membership that the November meeting is scheduled for Monday, 5 November, since the Knights of Columbus facility is used as an election location, and Tuesday 6 November is election day.

Honor Guard: Ben Sides reported that 13 funerals had been conducted for deceased veterans during the month of September. The total so far this year is 144. Ben Sides also mentioned the need for volunteers for the Honor Guard.

Membership: Jim Herbst stressed the importance of recruiting. New members are needed to replace the members who are lost, due to expiring memberships, or those who have passed away. There was some discussion on recruiting methods, and usually the best method is one on one discussions.

Property: Bob Spano reported that new flags had been placed outside of the Knights of Columbus facility.

Scouting: Ed Seidl mentioned that the Detachment's Eagle scouting recognition program would be presented to a group of local Scoutmasters in the following week.

Unfinished Business: Jim Herbst presented a pin and a Military Honors Certificate to Gene Trautner for his participation in the Honor Guard program. Gene Trautner was not able to attend the September meeting when others were recognized.

New Business: Jim Herbst introduced Jr. Past Commandant Dan Luty to preside over the nomination of officers for 2013. Dan Luty mentioned that this was the first of three meetings in which nominations can be made, and then the election of officers would be conducted at the December general meeting. Dan Luty also reviewed the qualifications for officers.

Nominations for the following positions were accepted by:

Commandant: Jim Herbst

Sr. Vice: None. (Bob Cosgrove was nominated, but he respectfully declined.)

Jr. Vice: Jack McLeod

Adjutant: Jack Kelly

Paymaster: Bob Spano

Judge Advocate: Paul Ferguson

Service Officer: Con McGinley

Chaplain: Chris Bush

Sergeant-at-Arms: Charles (Bud) Davis

Directors (three needed): Ed Seidl. (Bernie McGinley, Bill Kinney, Pete Patrucci, and Joe Blee were all nominated, but all respectfully declined the nomination.)

The nomination process was closed until the November general meeting. Nominations can be made for each office at the November and December general meetings, and the election will take place at the December general meeting.

Bob Spano reviewed the list of organizations suggested to receive donations this month. These organizations had been reviewed at a recent officers' meeting and were being suggested to the membership for consideration. One new listing was the Fox Children's Fund. Officer Brad Fox was the first Plymouth Township, PA, police officer killed in the line of duty. Officer Brad Fox had served two tours in Iraq as a U.S. Marine. He left behind a pregnant wife and a young daughter. George Boyajian made a motion to donate the funds as outlined in the meeting's agenda. The organizations and the amounts to be donated in parentheses are: (1) Fisher House Foundation, Rockville, MD (\$2,000.00); (2) Fox Children's Fund, Plymouth Meeting, PA (\$1,000.00); (3) The Injured Marine Semper Fi Fund, Oceanside, CA (\$2,000.00); (4) Operation First Response, Inc., Culpeper, VA (\$2,000.00); (5) Society of St. Vincent DePaul, Havertown, PA (\$2,000.00); and (6) The USO, Philadelphia International Airport, Philadelphia, PA (\$2,000.00). Bernie McGinley seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Announcements: Bob Cosgrove mentioned that the Smedley's Breakfast Club would meet on Saturday, 6 October 2012, at the Country Squire Restaurant in Broomall at 0830. He also mentioned that John Cook would be handling the seating chart for the Marine Corps Birthday Ball again this year. Bill Kinney reminded the membership that drivers are available if some members are not able to drive at night. Jim Herbst mentioned again that the November general meeting would be on Monday, 5 November 2012.

George Boyajian made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Paul Ferguson seconded the motion and the motion passed. The regular closing ceremonies were conducted. The meeting was adjourned at 2045.

Ed Seidl won the 50/50. Forty-one members signed the logbook.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Kelly

Adjutant



HUHO volunteers Paul & Jack at RotorFest



CH46 Helicopter



Cobra Helicopter



Huey Helicopter



Terry Jones, Chesty Puller (big clay guy in center) & Earle Drake



Guarding the Tomb through Hurricane Sandy



Marine Corps League

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Honor-Courage-
Commitment



Next Meeting
November 5, 2012 (Monday)
1930 hours
Knights of Columbus
327 N. Newtown Street Rd.
(Route 252)
Newtown Square, PA 19073